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## Navon briefs Reagan on 'fundamentals'

By JUDY SIEGEL  
Jerusalem Post Correspondent  
WASHINGTON. — President Ronald Reagan, receiving President Yitzhak Navon at the White House yesterday, reaffirmed that "the security of Israel is inescapably connected with peace in the Middle East — a principal goal of both our peoples."

Reagan did not specifically mention his September 1 peace plan for the Middle East or make any demands for support from either Navon or the State of Israel.

"A succession of American presidents have committed this nation to the achievement of that goal," Reagan said, standing alongside Navon under a canopy facing the south lawn. "Our commitment to peace is one I'm proud to carry forward."

The 45-minute talks and the hour-long White House luncheon that followed were conducted in a "very warm and friendly" atmosphere, Navon said later. He said friendship shown not to a man, he added, but to the State of Israel.

Navon stepped very carefully among issues of controversy, avoiding any expression of his personal views about them. "I wanted to give him a picture of what is happening in Israel," Navon told reporters later. "I spoke on those points on which there is agreement in Israel — fundamentals — not or this plan or that."

As an example, Navon offered the Israel consensus for a strong and united Jerusalem against a return to the pre-1967 borders, against a Palestinian state, and against the PLO terrorist organization.

A senior American official who briefed reporters after the White House meeting said, in response to a question, that President Reagan had referred to settlement activity on the West Bank as "not helpful to the peace process." The official added that Navon "did not react" to Reagan's comments on this issue.

Emerging from the official entrance to the White House, with a guard of honor bearing the country's flag and the banners of the 50 states, Reagan expressed his "great pleasure" in receiving Navon and called their meeting an "excellent opportunity to make each other's acquaintance and break bread together." He added that his wife, Nancy, and Orla Navon would meet over tea at the White House tomorrow. (Mrs. Reagan was in California, so Mrs. Navon attended lunch with Mrs. George Shultz at

the State Department while the presidents met.)

"Your presence here as president of Israel symbolizes the close ties that have always linked our two nations. Ours is a friendship that has deepened over time," said Reagan before bidding Navon goodbye.

"It is daily expressed in our unwavering commitment to the security and wellbeing of the State of Israel," Reagan said.

In response, Navon thanked Reagan for the "opportunity to exchange views on important issues that relate to our two countries through peace in the Middle East and to prospects for peace."

While there are varying views on whether U.S. proposals can be used as a basis for negotiations, Navon said, "No one has any doubt as to your dedication to peace, your sincerity and your commitment to the peace and security of Israel."

He also thanked Reagan personally and the "great American people" for their "generous aid that has always been rendered to my people."

Navon stressed to Reagan that the U.S. and Israel must make efforts to improve relations between Israel and Egypt, which have reached a "nadir." Reagan said he understood the need for a real and not an artificial or frozen peace between Israel and Egypt.

The presidents also briefly discussed Lebanon, Reagan hoping for a complete withdrawal of foreign forces in the near future, and Navon stating that a solution must be found to civilian and not only military problems.

Reagan did not reveal any progress in involving Jordan's King Hussein in peace talks, but merely expressed the hope that the king would do so.

The senior U.S. official called the meeting a "very friendly exchange of views. President Navon spoke for all Israel."

Administration officials, while acknowledging the warm atmosphere, were careful to avoid giving any impression that they were supporting Navon in any future race for the premiership against Menachem Begin.

Earlier in the day Navon was driven by police escorted motorcade to Mt. Vernon, where he toured George Washington's home and visited his tomb.

A reception for 600 at the Israel Embassy was to be followed by a dinner at the home of Israeli Ambassador Moshe Arens.



President Ronald Reagan conferring with President Yitzhak Navon in the Oval Office of the White House yesterday. (UPI telephoto)

## Israel rejects U.S. proposal to bypass agenda

By DAVID LANDAU  
Post Diplomatic Correspondent  
Israel and Lebanon go into the fourth round of their negotiations today, still in dispute over an agenda for the talks. An effort by American envoy Morris Draper to bridge the gap failed yesterday when Israel's Foreign Minister Yitzhak Shamir rejected the notion of dispensing with a formal agenda altogether.

The ministerial steering committee under Premier Menachem Begin, endorsed this stand and instructed the Israeli negotiators to hold firmly to their demand that the concept of normalization between Israel and Lebanon find clear expression in the agenda.

Despite the impasse, and despite the fact that the talks have been revolving around the "normalization" issue since they began 12 days ago, Israeli officials insisted yesterday that there was no deadlock and certainly no crisis. They had expected a slow start, they said, and were hopeful of steady progress as the talks proceeded.

Morris Draper echoed this upbeat note, telling newsmen: "...The talks will go forward... we hope for a successful conclusion as soon as possible."

In unofficial conversations, Israeli sources seem to put much of the blame for the lack of progress on Lebanon's prime minister Shafik Wazzan.

The sources said an agreement on the disputed "normalization" clause had seemed at hand earlier this week — the agenda item would refer to "bilateral relations" and spell out some examples of them — but the Lebanese negotiators failed to obtain the approval of Beirut. Wazzan is assumed to have been behind this veto.

On Tuesday night, Foreign Minister Yitzhak Shamir spoke out against "certain Moslem leaders" in Lebanon who served as "agents of foreign interests" in opposing the establishment of peaceful relations between Israel and Lebanon. Shamir asserted, as reported in *The Jerusalem Post* yesterday that these leaders did not represent majority opinion in Lebanon — not even among the Moslem community.

Shamir stressed to Draper at their meeting yesterday, according to Israeli sources, that the dispute over the agenda was a matter of principle for Israel. The question was ostensibly procedural, but in fact it in-

Israel-Lebanese talks go on in Kiryat Shmona

KIRYAT SHMONA. — The fourth round of Israeli-Lebanese talks will commence here at 10:00 this morning.

Preparatory teams from both states reached this border town yesterday evening.

The Lebanese team members spent the evening walking around the town and shopping. Lebanese and U.S. flags have been stolen from the community center where the talks are being held. The Israeli flag was left in place.

Involved key issues of substance. Israel understood full well the pressures which Lebanon faced from Saudi Arabia and other quarters. But Israel was determined that the negotiations should bring about a new and changed relationship between the two countries.

Defence Minister Ariel Sharon made the same point in a television interview ("Moked") last night. He urged "patience and perseverance," insisting that if Israel stood firm for its demands it would achieve a lasting solution to the problem of its northern border.

Sharon maintained that the working paper he had concluded in secret talks with the Lebanese was "the basis of all our contacts with Lebanon." The very fact that the two countries were arguing about normalization was to be seen as the measure of the progress that had

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## Kidnapped driver's body found

By HIRSH GOODMAN  
Post Defence Correspondent  
An Israeli civilian truck driver, Adi Mizrahi, 32, was found murdered just off the main Beirut-Rosh Hanikra highway in the Damour area of Lebanon yesterday.

Mizrahi, who was reported missing on Tuesday night, was found shot in the head. His hands were bound.

He was the ninth Israeli fatality in Lebanon since December 1. There have also been 15 Israelis injured, mainly as a result of planned acts of sabotage. Eight of the dead and all the injured were military personnel.

Two soldiers were injured yesterday morning when an explosive charge rocked their vehicle south of Beirut. The charge had been laid on the side of the road, and was activated from a distance.

Military sources expressed concern over the rise in terror incidents, as well as the growing sophistication being displayed by the terrorists.

The sources said they were convinced that the acts of terror, including the placing of several Katyusha rockets in the eastern and western sectors of southern Lebanon late last week, were being perpetrated by remnants of the PLO or Lebanese radical left, who were not included in the overall PLO expulsion from Beirut.

"We never deluded ourselves for one minute that we had captured, killed or expelled every single terrorist in southern Lebanon and Beirut, nor did we think that we had uncovered every single arms cache," one senior source said last night.

He said that as long as Israel is there, incidents like these can be expected.

Mizrahi, who was a convert from Islam, had been supplying fuel under contract to the IDF in the Shouf Mountain range, and was on his way back to Rosh Hanikra when for some reason he broke away from his convoy. Over the past two months,

Israeli vehicles travelling in Lebanon may travel only in convoy, with armed soldiers attached to each vehicle.

A senior officer has been appointed to examine the circumstances of the driver's death.

It is presumed that either the leader in the convoy travelled too fast for the truck to keep up, or the driver stopped along the way to buy something.

The truck was found abandoned south of Damour on Tuesday night. An immediate search was launched, and in the morning, Mizrahi's body was found four kilometres north of the truck, a single bullet shot through his head.

In Beirut a new group calling itself the "Lebanese National Resistance" claimed responsibility for all attacks against Israeli troops stationed in Lebanon and vowed to continue its operations "Until every inch of Lebanese territory is liberated."

## Sharon: SAM 5s won't disrupt flight plans

Jerusalem Post Reporter  
Not a single Israeli plane will change its flight course because Syria is introducing long-range SAM-5 ground to air missiles, Defence Minister Ariel Sharon said last night.

Interviewed on TV's *Moked* programme, he stated: "Whoever thinks for a moment that one Israeli plane, whether fighter, transport or passenger plane will alter its flight course (because of these missiles) is mistaken. We shall continue to lead our lives normally while taking all precautions. We have answers in case of need," Sharon stressed.

Sharon appeared to play down the significance of the new development, noting that the enemy already has ground-to-ground missiles capable of reaching all the main population centres. "It is impossible

to scare us with missiles," he said. He noted that Scud missiles capable of hitting all Israel's population centres, including Beersheba, are sited near Damascus. If Iraq crossed the Jordanian border for a relatively short distance, its missiles could hit Israel too, Sharon added.

One should not try to scare and panic the public, nor use the news of the SAM-5s as a weapon in internal squabbles, Sharon insisted.

Israel learned about the SAM-5 several weeks ago and alerted the U.S., the minister continued. The sites do not yet contain the long-range ground-to-air missiles themselves, although "part of the missiles are on their way."

Bases similar to those prepared in Syria were also built in Mongolia and East Germany — but there are no missiles there, he said.

Our Middle East Affairs Reporter adds:  
The clamour in Israel about the deployment of SAM-5 missiles in Syria was yesterday described by the official organ of Damascus' ruling Ba'ath Party as part of a deliberate bid to prepare the way for an Israeli attack on Syria.

The paper, *Al-Ba'ath*, did not confirm that the missiles had indeed been deployed.

The deployment of the advanced anti-aircraft missiles, believed to have a range of some 250 kilometres, was, however, confirmed by the Lebanese newspaper *Ash-Shark*, which is known to have strong Syrian connections.

Citing a "reliable Syrian source," (Continued on page 2, col. 6)

Cabinet body okays Israel space agency

Jerusalem Post Reporter  
Israel is to have a space agency. A cabinet committee yesterday accepted Science and Development Minister Yuval Ne'eman's proposal for the creation of such a body to coordinate and initiate local projects for exploitation of space. It charged him with drawing up specific plans for the agency's structure.

At his first meeting with science correspondents last December, after his appointment as minister, Ne'eman described space research and exploitation as a top priority of his ministry.

## World pilots federation says it will back El Al pilots

By JOSHUA BRILLIANT  
Jerusalem Post Reporter  
TEL AVIV. — The president of the International Federation of Airline Pilots Associations Robert Tweedy said last night his organization would back El Al's pilots if the government tries to replace them with foreign employees.

Tweedy arrived in Jerusalem yesterday to examine the possibility of holding IFALPA's 1984 convention in Israel.

He said that if the Israeli Airline Pilots Association asked IFALPA for help in its struggle in El Al "we'd certainly be backing them."

Tweedy said his organization had been "pretty successful" in preventing airlines from recruiting pilots in foreign countries. But he confirmed there are "quite a few"

unemployed pilots, particularly in the U.S., and said not all pilots are IFALPA members.

Earlier, Captain Yitzhak Gonen, head of the Israeli association said that El Al pilots will not return to the cockpit "with the (present) agreement in force. We can't live with it." He said the pilots' main demands were for separate representation from the ground workers and for dismissals on the basis of last in, first out.

Transport Minister Haim Corfu has said that El Al may hire foreign pilots or Israelis from outside El Al if the national carrier's pilots refuse to fly. He quoted El Al president Rafi Harlev as saying he was looking into the possibility of recruiting foreign pilots.

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## Tsongas: Jordan ready to negotiate

By MENAHEM HOROWITZ  
Jerusalem Post Reporter  
KIRYAT SHMONA. — U.S. Senator Paul Tsongas yesterday said that after talks with Egyptian leaders earlier this week, he believes that Jordan is interested in embarking on peace negotiations with Israel.

Tsongas, a Democrat from Massachusetts, met with Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak and other Egyptian leaders in Cairo on Sunday.

"My intimation from Egypt is that the Jordanians are ready to negotiate," said Tsongas to jour-

nalists during a private visit to Kibbutz Afikim yesterday.

"The issue is the West Bank... eventually time will run out and it will cause a lot of trouble for everyone," he said. Tsongas left yesterday for Jordan for talks with King Hussein and will return tomorrow to Jerusalem to meet Prime Minister Menachem Begin and report on his meetings in Amman.

Tsongas, a member of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee, predicts that Israeli-Jordanian talks will begin in the coming months, the exact date depending on progress in the Israeli-Lebanese negotiations.

## Eitan bars soldiers from Yad Vashem

Jerusalem Post Reporter  
Chief of Staff Rav-Aluf Rafael Eitan a few days ago ordered the suspension of soldiers' guided visits to Jerusalem's Yad Vashem Holocaust memorial, pending clarification of an incident on December 26, when a guide allegedly made controversial remarks to troops.

Acting on a complaint made by a soldier's mother, Eitan said visits would be halted until the Israel Defence Forces chief education officer investigates the matter.

According to the mother, the guide challenged the soldiers with the notion that the State of Israel is the least secure place for Jews to live, being constantly threatened by enemies. The guide allegedly said that no Jewish community in a western democracy is so threatened by physical destruction.

When soldiers countered this argument by saying they would be proud to die with honour for the state, the guide allegedly responded, "what is the difference where you find your death in a Merkava tank or in the Holocaust?"

Yad Vashem said that the guide's remarks were quoted out of context and that he has since left his job.

The Yad Vashem Martyrs' and Heroes' Remembrance Authority is headed by Yitzhak Arad, who is a

former IDF chief education officer and a Holocaust survivor.

Arad was quoted last night on Israel Radio as saying there was no justification for Eitan's suspension of soldiers' visits, which he said are an important factor in their motivation.

Yehiam Weitz, the guide whose alleged remarks sparked the controversy, was quoted by the radio as saying the IDF had completely lost all proportion in its reaction.

Weitz, son of Jewish Agency settlement department head Ra'anan Weitz, told *The Jerusalem Post* last night that the IDF had made no attempt to check with him on the nature of his alleged remarks, and that he had first learned of Eitan's decision to suspend soldiers' visits to Yad Vashem last night on television.

Weitz told *The Post* that the essence of his remarks to the soldiers was that, nowadays, one cannot preach Zionism and immigration from the west predicated on the insecurity of Jewish existence in the Diaspora, but only on positive values.

Any attempt to consider an Israeli soldier's death in battle as somehow more honourable than the death of a Jew in the Holocaust defames the memory of the Holocaust martyrs, Weitz said.

## West sceptical of Warsaw Pact offer

LONDON (Reuters). — A Warsaw Pact offer to sign a no-war treaty with NATO was seen by western officials yesterday as a propaganda gambit unlikely to be taken seriously.

The offer, billed as a "new, grand peace proposal," was announced at the end of a two-day summit meeting of the seven-nation Communist alliance in Prague.

Officials in London and other NATO capitals said it was an old idea, resurrected at intervals since the 1950s, and was part of a Kremlin-led peace offensive aimed mainly against the planned deployment of U.S. missiles in Western Europe.

But western diplomats said NATO leaders would wait for the full text of documents approved in Prague "to see if there is anything between the lines worth pursuing."

Initial reactions suggested western governments were disappointed by what were described as apparently meagre results after the first Communist summit attended by Soviet Communist Party leader Yuri Andropov.

The Warsaw Pact proposed a treaty on "mutual non-use of military force and preservation of peaceful relations" with member states of the 16-nation NATO alliance.

## Pym again snubbed

LONDON (Reuters). — A proposed Middle East tour by British Foreign Secretary Francis Pym collapsed in disarray yesterday after rebuffs by three Arab states.

The Foreign Office confirmed that the United Arab Emirates and Qatar had followed Saudi Arabia's move earlier this week and told Pym he was not welcome, in a show of displeasure over Britain's refusal to accept an Arab League delegation including a representative of the Palestine Liberation Organization.

## 'Sharon talked with Syrian army chief

Jerusalem Post Correspondent  
NEW YORK. — Defence Minister Ariel Sharon met Syrian chief-of-staff General Shami here recently, the Hebrew language weekly *Israel Shelanu* reported this week. Sharon visited New York two weeks ago.

The paper said Sharon and Shami discussed ways to prevent the Lebanese situation from escalating into a Middle East war.

The weekly based its story on "Israeli sources."

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COPTENHAGEN	3	17	Cloudy
FRANKFURT	4	18	Cloudy
GENEVA	0	10	Cloudy
HONG KONG	10	17	Sunny
JOHANNESBURG	18	24	Clear
LONDON	7	15	Cloudy
MADRID	6	15	Cloudy
MONTREAL	22	30	Cloudy
NEW YORK	2	18	Cloudy
OSLO	1	14	Cloudy
PARIS	3	14	Cloudy
SAO PAULO	21	31	Cloudy
ST. JAMES	10	18	Cloudy
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## THE WEATHER

Forecast: Scattered showers, clear periods later in the day.

	Yesterday's	Yesterday's	Today's
	Humidity	Min-Max	Min-Max
Jerusalem	81	3-7	7
Golan	78	2-7	7
Nahariya	68	7-13	13
Safed	75	1-6	4
Haifa Port	75	9-13	13
Tiberias	73	7-15	15
Nazareth	—	4-10	11
Afula	74	8-11	12
Shimon	70	8-13	14
Tel Aviv	84	5-13	14
B-G Airport	75	6-13	14
Jericho	59	7-18	18
Gaza	69	8-14	14
Beersheba	80	6-11	12
Eilat	42	4-16	16

## SOCIAL & PERSONAL

The opening dinner of the top donors mission of the Australian United Israel Appeal — Keren Hayesod, led by Michael Faktor, took place at the Sheraton in Tel Aviv yesterday. The dinner, hosted by Joseph Brenner, was addressed by Dr. Avraham Avi-hai, UTA — Keren Hayesod world chairman. Among those attending were Communications Minister Mordechai Zippori and Tel Aviv Mayor, Shlomo Lahat. Yesterday, the mission visited the absorption centre in Pardes Hanna and Galilee Mitzpeh.

The American International School in Kfar Shmaryahu was host to American educator Dr. Madeline Hunter, from Monday to yesterday. Hunter is currently at the University of California, Los Angeles, principal of the University Elementary School and lecturer in the Graduate School of Education.

Former city engineer of Tel Aviv, Ya'acov Ben-Sira, and Eri Steimatzky, book importer and publisher, will speak about their jobs at the Rotary Club, at the Tel Aviv Hilton at 1 p.m. today.

## In Memoriam

A memorial service for the late Rav-Aluf (res.) Haim Laskov will be held at the military cemetery at Kiryat Shaul in Tel Aviv at 3 p.m. today. A memorial meeting, sponsored by the Defence Ministry and the Tel Aviv municipality, will be held at the Mann Auditorium at 5 p.m.

## Israel wins 4-nation basketball tourney

Israel took first place in a four-nation basketball tournament in Stockholm when it defeated Switzerland 84-81 in the final game last night. Israel lost by a single point to Hungary on the opening day, but took the top spot thanks to Sweden, who yesterday surprised the Hungarians with a 91-79 triumph (Earlier report p. 4).

**THEFT.** — The Jerusalem police are looking for a burglar who broke into Magistrate's Court Judge Musiya Arad's office, took her purse, pocketed IS1,600 and then left the purse in the lavatory.

The Civilian Administration Judea and Samaria Region The Staff Office for Internal Affairs The Supreme Planning Council

**Notice of Deposition of Detailed Planning Scheme No. 119/83 for "Jofia"** (3 kilometers north of Krut Bnei Hasan)

Pursuant to Article 2 of the Cities, Villages and Buildings Planning Law (Judea and Samaria) (No. 418), 5731-1971, and Article 20 (1) (24) of the Cities, Villages and Buildings Planning Law, (No. 79) 1968, notice is hereby given of the deposition of the detailed planning scheme for "Jofia" (No. 119/83).

The planning scheme is available for inspection at the office of the Staff Office for Internal Affairs and may be studied without payment on Sunday, Tuesday and Wednesday between the hours of 10.00 a.m. and 2.00 p.m.

## HOME NEWS

### Police wives to High Court over their husbands' salaries

By MICHAEL YUDELMAN  
And ISRAEL AMRANI  
Jerusalem Post Reporters

TEL AVIV. — Policemen's wives intend to apply to the High Court of Justice in the next few days to demand equalization of police salaries to those in the army.

The decision was made yesterday following the wives' failure to persuade Interior Minister Yosef Burg to help them, representative Nurit Shapira said.

Interior police ministry spokesman Yitzhak Agassi said that the wages were similar to those of army personnel in equivalent ranks, in line with a government decision of two years ago. The problem, he said, is not salaries but fringe benefits that police are not getting. Burg, he said, "will continue to struggle on behalf of the police."

He denied that the police wives found Burg uncooperative. "They must realize that in government, things do not work quickly; getting something takes slow, lengthy struggles," Burg, who met the wives yesterday, promised his help in winning additional field and alertness payments, paid in the army since April 1980 but not given border policemen and police field units.

The police wives are also demanding a 17-month retroactive payment of certain raises which the army has been paying since April 1981. These now amount to at least IS15,000 per policeman, Shapira said.

"I can't do anything about that," Burg told the wives, implying that the Treasury refuses to approve the payments.

### Rally almost splits Aguda

By SARAH HONIG  
Post Political Reporter

TEL AVIV. — Agudat Yisrael yesterday narrowly averted a split when the party agreed not to sponsor a rally planned for today in Jerusalem to press for the adoption of an amendment to the Law of Return.

The rally was originally promoted by Habad, the Hassidic movement that is hostile to some Aguda components. But it was strongly supported by the main *hasidic* component of Aguda, represented in the Knesset by MKs Avraham Shapira and Shmuel Halper. It was equally strongly opposed by the non-*hasidic*, represented by MKs Shlomo Lorincz and Menahem Porush. The latter two threatened to leave the party if Aguda were officially involved in the rally.

The rally organizers wish to pressure the government to amend existing legislation to render only con-

versions to Judaism performed according to the Orthodox interpretation of *halacha*, Jewish religious law. To prevent an irreparable schism in Aguda, it was agreed yesterday that the party would in no way be involved in the rally, and would remove its auspices entirely from it, though individual Aguda members may attend.

Thus the rally will be largely turned into a Habad project. In Aguda proper, the party's supreme authority, the Council of Torah Sages, is deeply divided over the issue. The *hasidim*, led by council co-chairman the Rabbi of Gur, are pushing for the amendment, while non-*hasidic* co-chairman Rabbi Eliezer Shach is opposed to fomenting a coalition crisis over the amendment.

Shach reportedly even threatened to resign from the council if Aguda involvement in the rally were not terminated.

### Police safely detonate Hebron bomb

Jerusalem Post Reporter

A bomb was found yesterday morning next to the vehicle licensing office in Hebron. A border police sapper detonated it, and apart from some broken windows, no damage or injuries were caused.

In Jenin, prisoners convicted of security offences have been on strike for several days demanding improved conditions. Security detainees sleep on mattresses on the floor and not on beds, because

prison authorities claim that the bed frames could be used as weapons.

Local sources in the Tulkarm area reported yesterday that the Judea and Samaria civil administration has been pressuring local villagers to establish four more village leagues in the Tulkarm-Anabta area. Local village heads have been summoned and told that services in their villages and government aid would be facilitated if they agreed to join or establish their own leagues.

### Congressman Rosenthal dies at 59

WASHINGTON (JTA). — U.S. Representative Benjamin Rosenthal, the senior Jewish member of the House Foreign Affairs Committee, a staunch supporter of Israel in Congress, an opponent of the Vietnam war and a leading consumer advocate, died on Tuesday at the age of 59 in Georgetown University Hospital after a long battle with cancer.

A Queens, New York, Democrat who was elected last November to his 11th term in the House, Rosenthal had been in the forefront of congressional battles for continued support of Israel, such as increases in financial and military aid. He sought to prevent administration actions he considered harmful to Israel.

Rosenthal took part in the unsuccessful battle to prevent the Reagan administration from selling AWACS reconnaissance planes to



Benjamin Rosenthal  
Saudi Arabia in 1981, and had joined in warnings to the Reagan administration over reports of planned sales of weapons to Jordan. Many non-Jewish congressmen looked to him for guidance on issues concerning Israel.

### Eitan: W. Bank worth more than peace

Chief of Staff Rav-Aluf Rafael Eitan told a gathering of students in Jerusalem last night that Judea and Samaria should not be given up, "not even for peace."

In response to questions by participants at the World Union of Jewish Students 19th world con-

ference, Eitan reiterated his well-known view that Judea and Samaria are part of Eretz Yisrael. "Whoever proposes returning Judea and Samaria, even in exchange for peace, is actually proposing to return the Jewish people to the Diaspora," said Eitan. (Jtm)

### Terrorist, 18, gets 25 years in prison

LOD (Jtm). — The military court in Lod yesterday sentenced Talab Abhad Zarara, 18, to 25 years in jail after he was found guilty of a terrorist act in Eilat.

The court was told that Zarara joined Fatah at the age of 15 and served as a gunman at a camp in southern Lebanon.

At the start of the Peace for Galilee operation, he travelled to

Syria and asked to be given an assignment against Israel.

He was told to travel to Akaba, where he was given arms, including an automatic weapon, Katynushes and hand-grenades. He slipped through the border to Eilat and opened fire over the direction of a crowd. He did not hit anyone, and was arrested by security forces. Zarara admitted his guilt.

### Woodpeckers knock out phone lines in Sharon

Jerusalem Post Reporters  
RA'ANANA. — Many kilometres of telephone lines in the Sharon area have recently been damaged by woodpeckers.

A spokesman for the Communications Ministry said that a sudden threefold increase in disconnected telephones has been traced to the sharp-beaked birds. Because it is very difficult for technicians to

find the holes made by them, many subscribers have had to wait weeks before their phone service was restored.

A local spokesman for the Society for the Protection of Nature said the only way to control the problem is to bury the cables underground, like irrigation conduits, or to cover them with a protective coating.

### 3.5 kg. hashish found

Jerusalem Post Reporter  
Jerusalem police early yesterday morning confiscated 3.5 kilograms of hashish, found a cache of burglar tools, and arrested five people on suspicion of drug dealing and burglary.

Police found the drug in a rented car after the driver aroused their suspicions.

Police arrested another four persons after questioning the man, one of them with nine amphetamine pills. They will be brought today to the magistrate's court for remand.

### Mt. Hermon ski slope opens with 3m. snow

KIRYAT SHMONA. — The Mt. Hermon ski site yesterday afternoon opened to visitors and skiers. Snow at the upper cable car station is three metres thick and at the lower station 1.20 metres.

**TREES.** — More than 800 primary school pupils from the Eshkol district in the western Negev took part yesterday in a tree-planting ceremony to mark the anniversary of the founding of the Jewish National Fund.

## El Al owes \$280m., but only \$132m. guaranteed

By AVI TEMKIN  
Post Economic Reporter

El Al's accumulated losses at the end of 1982 totalled some \$244 million, while the company owes local and foreign banks some \$280m. of which \$148m. are not covered by government guarantees. This was reported yesterday to the Knesset Finance Committee in a document presented by the airline.

Earlier, El Al told the committee that it will need an additional \$100m. to renew its operations, and plans to borrow the necessary funds from commercial banks. The sums involved will finance the company's operations for the next three months, during which it will lose an expected \$40m. more.

In its document, El Al estimates that it will save some \$21m. during the coming year as a result of the agreement recently reached with the Histadrut and the ground crews.

The \$21m. includes some \$12.5m. saved by a reduction in the number of ground employees,

cuts in vacation days and in fringe benefits such as overtime pay. An additional \$9m. will be saved by a reduction in the number of air crew employees.

El Al plans to fire about 850 employees. The figure comprises 514 ground crew members, 36 pilots and air engineers, 100 stewards, and some 200 company employees abroad.

The airline will have to shell out \$33m. severance payments. Some \$18.5m. will be paid to fired ground employees, an average of \$36,000 each.

The average compensation for pilots will be \$83,000, for a total of \$3m. severance pay. Fired stewards will get some \$43,000 each.

According to the El Al document the airline owes some \$188m. to local banks, \$146 of which is not covered by government guarantee. In addition, El Al owes some \$93m. to foreign banks: EXIM, Pepco, Chase and others. Most of these debts, some \$91m. are covered by a government guarantee.

The report of the company's financial situation to the members of the Knesset Finance Committee cast a heavy shadow over their debate on a request for an approval of a new government guarantee for past and future El Al loans.

Some committee members demanded a more complete picture of the airline's forecasts for next year, and said that the company had only presented the committee with predictions for the coming three months.

Committee chairman, MK Shlomo Lorincz, expressed pessimism about El Al, and said that the government guarantees are justified only for profitable companies. In the case of El Al, said Lorincz, the situation is not clear enough.

In a related development, Israel Radio reported yesterday that Finance Minister Yoram Aridor had asked the ministry's legal adviser to report on a possible conflict of interests in the case of David Gatmon, stated to become El Al deputy general manager for operations, who is to be transferred from the private airline, Masof.



A large section of this three-storey building behind the Neveh Zedek Theatre collapsed yesterday morning, burying more than IS1 million worth of props and stage equipment. The 75-year-old building in the Tel Aviv neighbourhood caved in seconds before the Inbal Dance Group's technical director entered it. No one was hurt. The collapse may have been caused by the winter storms during the past few days. The remains of the handsome building, which was built as part of the Yeheli school complex, with oriental arches and ornate cut stone window frames, are in danger of collapse, and will be demolished this morning. (IPPA)

### Orthodox celebrate Christmas today

Jerusalem Post Staff

The Eastern Orthodox communities and the Coptic and Ethiopian churches will begin their Christmas celebrations in Jerusalem and Bethlehem today.

A festive procession by the heads of the churches will enter Bethlehem at noon, and worshippers will gather later in the evening for midnight masses ushering in Christmas day. The Greek Orthodox mass will be celebrated in

The "Katholikon" of Bethlehem's Church of the Nativity, and the Ethiopian mass, the Qedase, in the Church of the Holy Sepulchre in the Old City of Jerusalem.

This afternoon, the Catholic Church concludes its 12 days of Christmas with the Epiphany service, marking the visit of the magi to the infant Jesus and his baptism in the Jordan. The Armenian Christmas is celebrated on January 19.

### MK won't have to answer wife's charges

By ISRAEL AMRANI  
Jerusalem Post Reporter

Attorney-General Yitzhak Zamir has reiterated his decision not to ask the Knesset to waive the parliamentary immunity of Likud MK Akiva Nof so he can answer in court to his former wife's accusations that he mistreated her.

Mira Nof appealed to the High Court of Justice 20 months ago for an order to the police and the attorney-general to complete their investigation against her former husband. The investigation started 3½ years ago.

She claimed that Nof deprived her of her property, regularly beat her and forcibly took their daughter from the family's home. She also ac-

cused him of withdrawing money from their joint bank account and of disobeying a rabbinical court order. But the charges were found to be mostly groundless by the attorney-general.

"Among the many charges made by your client, there are, I think, quite a few unjustified ones, and ones that are meant to harass," Yehudit Trur, Zamir's senior aide, wrote Mira Nof's advocate last week, in a letter made public yesterday.

The letter lists the allegations that were proved groundless, or not severe enough for indicting Nof. It also lists allegations that were supposedly based on documents that do not exist.

### Electricity, postal rate hikes sought

Post Economic Reporter

The Knesset Finance Committee has been requested by the Energy and Communications Ministries to approve a 5 per cent hike in electricity and postal services prices, effective from the beginning of this week.

According to the Energy Ministry request, electricity for home consumption will go up from IS2.19 a kwh. to IS2.301 a kwh.

Postal and telephone services will

also increase by 5 per cent, according to the request of the Communications Ministry, which has included for the first time in several months a request for an increase in the telephone installation fees.

The installation fee will rise according to the proposal, from IS5750 to IS6040. Public telephone tokens will now cost IS1.90 instead of IS1.80; and a telephone call will cost IS1.84 instead of IS1.75. A regular letter within Israel will cost IS2.00 instead of IS1.90.

### Bnei Akiva youth reject Hammer boycott

Jerusalem Post Staff

Hebron Rabbi Moshe Levinger yesterday raised a storm at the Bnei Akiva convention when he proposed that Education Minister Zevulun Hammer's appearance before the 200 delegates be cancelled.

Levinger, who addressed the sixth international convention of Bnei

Akiva about settlement in Gush Etzion, said that Hammer rose to prominence on the backs of supporters of Greater Israel while today he is betraying that idea.

The delegates, after a 45-minute delay, voted in favour of Hammer's appearance, with only one delegate denouncing Hammer was welcomed with loud clapping, and delivered his prepared speech.

The unveiling of the tombstone of our beloved husband and father

## ABRAHAM KIDRON

will be held on 25 Tevet 5743, Monday, January 10, 1983, at Har Hamenuhot cemetery, Givat Shaul, Jerusalem at 12.00 noon.

The Family

### Berman's new group to meet

By SARAH HONIG  
Post Political Reporter

TEL AVIV. — A new liberal grouping — the Centre Forum — will hold its first gathering at the Carlton Hotel here tonight. The group, led by MK Yitzhak Berman (Liberal), could potentially develop into an independent party, though Berman cautions that tonight's meeting "must by no means be regarded as the founding session of such a party."

About 45 participants are expected, including MK Dror Zeigerman, former Liberal leader Elimelech Rimalt, Tel Aviv Mayor Shlomo Lahat, Ramat Gan Mayor Yisrael Peled, Bar Association head Amnon Goldenberg, Prof. Hans Klinghoffer and others.

The chief address will be delivered by Rimalt, and the meeting will be closed to the press.

Berman, who resigned as energy minister after the government's initial refusal to set up a massacre probe, said last night that the aims of the group will be twofold: to update Liberal thinking in regard to topical issues, and to consider whether the best way to promote Liberal policies would be through the creation of a new centre party or through lobbying in existing parties.

Berman said he would not advocate "rushing to found a new party," since the Liberal Party, with all its shortcomings, has roots. A new party should not be based on star vote-getters, but on a consensus over policy, so as not to repeat the failure of the Democratic Movement for Change.

"More political amateurism and foolhardiness could prevent the establishment of a centre party for another generation," Berman said.

### Man jailed for 'scandalizing' court

TEL AVIV (Jtm). — The Tel Aviv Magistrate's Court yesterday sentenced journalist Yigal Laviv to three months in jail, a IS25,000 fine and a one-year suspended sentence for "scandalizing" the court.

A second defendant, engineer Mordechai Barkat, was sentenced to a IS25,000 fine and a one-year suspended sentence.

Laviv was the first person ever charged in Israel for the offence of "scandalizing the court" (*shtet hamishpat*), in accordance with section 255 of the Penal Code, 1977: "A person who says or writes anything concerning a judge of a civil or a religious court in respect of his office with intent to impair his status, or publishes any invective against a judge of a civil or a

religious court, with a view to bringing the administration of justice into suspicion or contempt, is liable to imprisonment for three years."

The charge against Laviv was based on an article entitled "Was the Bezalet Mizrahi-Ha'aretz Newspaper Trial Sold?" in the journal "Me'at Hadasha Hamishpata", which is edited by Laviv.

Judge Haim Shapira said Laviv was an experienced, veteran journalist who should have taken greater care with his pen.

Barkat appears in the controversial article as the person who told Laviv the trial had been "sold."

The charge of "scandalizing" the court is distinct from contempt of

### 27.1 per cent C-o-L increase agreed

By JOSHUA BRILLIANT  
Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — The government, the Private Employers Organization and the Labour Federation yesterday signed an agreement providing for a 21.7 per cent cost-of-living raise.

The raise will be given with January salaries and will be paid on wages of up to IS33,240 a month, or IS1,329.60 a day.

This is in line with the agreement the Histadrut and the Coordinating Bureau of Economic Organizations signed last July.

Meanwhile, the parties yesterday began examining alternative methods for compensating workers for price rises, following Aridor's and Histadrut Secretary General Yeroham Meshel's accord last week.

Treasury Director-General Ezer Sadan, Histadrut trade union department head Yisrael Kessar and the head of the coordinating bureau's labour division Uri Netanel had a brief meeting at Industry House, where they went over the proposals. Today, experts are to check them more thoroughly.

## SHARON

(Continued from Page One)

Ash-Shark wrote that the missiles had been supplied following repeated requests to Moscow to help restore a "strategic balance" between the Syrian and Israeli armed forces.

The paper noted that Israel's superiority in the latest confrontation in Lebanon had been shown to be confined to the air, with "the Syrian, Lebanese and Palestinian

fighters proving themselves more than a match for the Israelis on the ground."

This is the first time that the SAM-5 missiles have been deployed outside Soviet territory, the paper concluded.

Syrian officials in Damascus are quoted as refusing to confirm the Ash-Shark report, simply noting that "no official military announcement has been made on this subject."

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# Sidon refugees angry over UNRWA delay in delivery of heating stoves

By CHARLES HOFFMAN  
Jerusalem Post Reporter

Close to 1,200 kerosene heating stoves sent to homeless Palestinian refugees in Sidon over a month ago have remained in a UNRWA warehouse because the agency has not decided which families should receive them.

UNRWA has asked the IDF to protect its staff from assaults by refugees who are angry because of the delayed distribution of the stoves, as well as cement and winter clothing.

The situation was described at a meeting on Tuesday in Sidon between an Israeli delegation headed by Economic Coordination Minister Ya'acov Meridor and senior UNRWA officials in Lebanon.

Dr. David Harman of the American Jewish Joint Distribution Committee, which has sent 2,300 stoves and over 1,500 tons of cement to the refugees in South Lebanon, said that he learned at the meeting that only 300 of the stoves have been distributed. Furthermore, no one there knew if the 1,000 stoves sent to Tyre had been distributed.

Israeli officials said UNRWA officials claimed that the distribution has been held up because it was difficult to determine which families are the neediest. The UNRWA director in Sidon, who was replaced about the time the stoves arrived, had decided then that large families and those in temporary shelters would get them, but his policy was not continued.

At the meeting, the UNRWA director in Lebanon, John DeFrates, ordered his local staff to distribute the stoves "as fast as possible."

UNRWA officials reported that 625 building plots have been cleared and allocated by UNRWA, to homeless refugee families, and another 590 plots have been cleared by the refugees themselves. An additional 200 plots will be available soon, they said, adding that all 850 plots in the Tyre area have been allocated.

They also reported that a 16-tent school is now operating in the Ein Hilwe refugee camp, on three daily shifts.

Harman said that the AJDC plans to send another 1,000 tons of cement to the refugees, and that the U.S. Agency for International Development has not yet replied to its request to pay for the shipment.

Tents in Ein Hilwe have made a surprising comeback since they were burned several months ago by refugees who rejected them as setting them back to 1948. Several dozen families are now living temporarily in tents while they build cement-block homes nearby.

The Jewish-Arab committee of western Galilee, headed by Dov Yermiya, last month sent five truckloads of clothes and boots to the refugees in Tyre and Sidon.



Jerusalem Mayor Teddy Kollek yesterday welcomes to the capital the Right Rev. John McIntyre, moderator of the General Assembly of the Church of Scotland (second from left). They are flanked by members of the band of the Old City's Assyrian Club, one of them playing bagpipes. (Vera Eizion)

# Anti-war soldiers demand release of objectors

By LEA LEVAVI  
Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — Yesh Gvul (There's a Limit), a group of reservists who object to serving in Lebanon or on the West Bank for reasons of conscience, will hold a demonstration in front of the Defence Ministry today to demand that the rights of conscientious objectors be recognized and that those in jail be freed.

Avi Mugarby, an active member of the movement, told *The Jerusalem Post* that 1,500 soldiers, mostly reservists, have signed a petition being circulated by Yesh Gvul, asking that they not be called to serve in Lebanon.

There are currently three conscientious objectors in jail for refusing to serve in Lebanon, and only a dozen soldiers have been imprisoned for refusing to serve there since the war began.

Mugarby said that in many cases, the army decided for reasons of its own not to make an issue over the soldiers' refusal to serve in Lebanon or the West Bank. He cited the case of a man who was transferred out of an elite unit, when after the Sabra and Shatila massacres he refused to serve in Lebanon.

Of the three soldiers currently imprisoned, one is a Circassian, who deserted for four months because he did not want to serve in Lebanon. He was sentenced to one year in prison, with seven months suspended.

All the other prisoners of whom Yesh Gvul is aware, have been convicted for refusing to obey an order and given sentences of two to four weeks. The reservists were then sent home, but one soldier in compulsory service was jailed several times over.

Each time he was released, he was ordered to go to Lebanon and refused, giving rise to a new trial and sentence. Finally a compromise was reached, and he now serves in the medical corps, spending an occasional day in Marjayoun, south Lebanon.

# Guard on church after vandals strike

By ISRAEL AMRANI  
Jerusalem Post Reporter

Police are keeping guard around the clock at the Russian Orthodox Church in Ein Kerem after the attempt on Tuesday to blow up its cooking gas cylinders. This follows a wave of vandalism against Jerusalem churches.

A police mobile laboratory yesterday found that someone ignited a kerosene-soaked rag near three large gas cylinders that are attached to the church. The fire caused the metal valve handles on the cylinders to melt, peeled the plaster off the wall, and left a large black circle.

If the cylinders had blown up, police said, the whole structure could have collapsed. Police attributed the explosion attempt to anti-Christian fanatics.

During the past 10 days, several churches, including two in Ein Kerem, were vandalized. Swastikas and the word OUT were painted on the Notre Dame and the Greek churches in Ein Kerem on Christmas Eve. Earlier this week, the gates of the Ethiopian Church in the centre of Jerusalem were smeared with excrement.

The explosion attempt prompted Interior Minister Yosef Burg on Tuesday night to ask police Inspector-General Rav Nitzav Arye Ivizan to provide guards for the church. Burg also denounced the anti-Christian vandalism and reaffirmed Israel's commitment to guarantee religious freedom in the country.

Although expressing concern about the vandalism, the Russian Orthodox Patriarch Archimandrite Anatoly Panteleimon told *The Jerusalem Post* yesterday that he viewed the explosion attempt as an isolated incident, terming it "unpleasant."

# IN THE KNESSET/Aryeh Rubinstein Knesset urges retrial for Nazis

The Knesset yesterday denounced last month's refusal by the public prosecutor in Dortmund, West Germany, to demand punishment of Nazi war criminals Wilhelm Westerheide and Johanna Zelle, and called for a retrial.

Westerheide, now 74, was commander of the Vladimir-Linsk district on the Polish-Ukrainian border in the early 1940s. Zelle, now 62, was his secretary. They were tried for having taken part in the murder of some 9,000 Jews in the Vladimir ghetto in 1942-43.

Sheva Weiss (Alignment), who raised the matter in a motion for the agenda, noted that German Judge Paul Filtter had taken testimony in Haifa from a survivor who said he had witnessed Westerheide pull out his pistol and shoot a Jewish woman of about 30 in whose possession guards had found a slaughtered chicken and a few potatoes. The witness testified that Zelle had specialized in the murder of Jewish children.

But the German prosecutor had told the court that the witnesses were not credible, because 40 years had elapsed.

"Can such things be forgotten?" asked Weiss, himself a Holocaust survivor. "This is the experience of death. It is something that cannot be forgotten."

Justice Minister Moshe Nissim said that no war criminal who took part in genocide should be permitted to go free. Ordinary procedural rights of an accused, such as limitation, immunity, and double jeopardy must not be granted in such cases, he said.

He said Israel does not wish to advise other countries about its legal systems. But in cases involving the Holocaust, Israel has a direct interest, and has the right to urge — even to demand — a retrial.

For if the court's verdict were permitted to stand, it would reduce the prospects of prosecuting other Nazi war criminals who might be found, Nissim said.

The house agreed that the speeches of Weiss and Nissim be considered the sense of the Knesset, and that they be transmitted by the speaker to the parties concerned.

The speeches were marred by the fact that while they were being delivered, the Knesset held a vote on its three representatives on the *kadi* (Moslem court judges) nominations board.

The three MK-tellers were only a metre behind the speaker's rostrum and audibly counted the votes. They were assisted by two ushers and the Knesset clerk.

Deputy Minister Dov Shilansky proposed that the session be adjourned until the completion of the count, and Weiss described the situation as "macabre," but Deputy Speaker Meir Cohen-Avidor rejected that idea, suggesting instead that Weiss raise his voice.

Then Yeroham Meshel (Alignment) entered the chamber, and hoping that he would still be permitted to cast his ballot, walked all the way up to the tellers' table, past Weiss who was still speaking. He was informed that he had missed the boat.

# Blue movie slips into Friday entertainment

By YA'ACOV FRIEDLER  
Jerusalem Post Reporter

HAIFA. — This city, long known as "Red Haifa" for its uninterrupted Labour rule, is now turning "blue" with pornographic films turning up in some unexpected places.

Last Friday night, during a regular Friday night film and pop music session at the city's Aba Khoushy Community Centre, sections of the mostly young audience were respectively shocked and delighted when an innocuous pop film suddenly faded into a hard porno movie.

One of those who was shocked, alarmed the Centre manager, who ordered the film stopped, and it ended as suddenly as it had started — after only 30 seconds.

The films had been screened by a contractor who received the concession, who also happened to hold the concession of the Centre buffet, and faces a \$235 million damage suit from leading film companies for allegedly pirating their films and selling video copies of them.

Mayor Arye Gurel has ordered an investigation into the incident, and if it is found that the blue film was inserted deliberately, action will be taken against the responsible parties.

The incident followed earlier screenings of late Friday night porno films by one of the three private cable TV companies that have sprung up in various neighbourhoods of the city.

The porno films were stopped when parents among the subscribers complained that they had a bad influence on their children and they were afraid to leave them at home alone "for a nice night's viewing."

# Sabbath work permits

The Knesset passed on its preliminary reading a private member's bill by Avraham Melamed (National Religious Party) requiring that Sabbath work permits be more specific as to the nature of the jobs to be performed on the Sabbath.

Melamed did not deliver a speech from the rostrum explaining his bill, but from his seat simply moved that the house refer his bill to the Labour Committee. This is a rarely used step, although Shoshana Arbeli did the same thing only a few weeks ago.

But then Deputy Labour Minister Ben Zion Rubin likewise made do with a one-sentence reply: "I agree to the referral of the bill to the committee."

Deputy Speaker Meir Cohen-Avidor called for a vote, and announced that the bill was referred to the Labour Committee.

At this stage, Alignment and Shinui members started shouting

# Ministry attacks Peace Now 'lies'

Jerusalem Post Staff

The Science and Development Ministry yesterday described as "lies" the statement published on Tuesday by the Peace Now movement about Science Minister Yuval Ne'eman's involvement in setting up supervision teams in the administered areas.

The peace movement said that Ne'eman had initiated the setting up of the teams to protect state lands and to prevent illegal building, and that they were to be instrumental in evicting Arabs from the areas.

A ministry spokesman said that the peace movement is filled with hatred for the Jewish settlement venture, and has thus lost its basic credibility.

The spokesman said that Ne'eman supports imposition of the same standards regarding theft of state lands in the West Bank as exist in Israel.

# Hammer and teachers' union agree to negotiate next week

By LEA LEVAVI  
Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — Negotiations to establish a timetable for implementing the Etzioni Commission recommendations on teachers' salaries will begin next week, according to an agreement reached yesterday between the Histadrut Teacher's Union and Education Minister Zevulun Hammer.

According to a union spokesman, the minister also agreed to support the union's demand that a clause on the Etzioni recommendations be included in a work agreement between the Histadrut and the government before the teachers sign it.

Meanwhile, thousands of high-school students will hold demonstrations today in Tel Aviv, Ramat Gan and Jerusalem. The students are protesting sanctions by the teachers that include not disclosing grades, not taking students on field trips and not working with students at vocational schools on work projects they must prepare.

Students from the Blik school in Ramat Gan sent a telegram to Prime Minister Menachem Begin two days ago, requesting that he intervene, but have not yet received an answer.

In Givatayim, a sleep-in at the ORT school continues. Students there, who did not want to harm their own school progress, slept at their school last night, and will do so again today and tomorrow.

Teenagers from two high schools in Beersheba joined the ad-hoc strike yesterday as well.

# Court orders Beduin out of firing area

By LORA MORIEL  
Jerusalem Post Reporter

BEERSHEBA. — The High Court of Justice in Jerusalem yesterday rejected a petition by 15 Beduin families of the Abu Shalb faction of the Abu Gha'id tribe to remain on land near Dimona designated as a firing area by the military.

A month ago, Nature Reserves Authority spokesman Ya'acov Shmull said the families trespassed into the area with their goat herds (it is illegal for goats to graze in the area). The Green Patrol found the Beduin and flocks, and ordered them to leave immediately.

The families, through their lawyer Haim Kazis, petitioned the High Court and got a temporary injunction enabling them to remain in the area until a panel of three judges reviewed their case.

Meanwhile, according to Shmull, the Beduin planted thousands of dunams with wheat and barley, taking advantage of recent rains.

"They wanted to create facts in the area," said Shmull. Yesterday, justices Miriam Ben-Porat, Menahem Elon and Dov Levin rejected the petition, and now the Beduin must leave the area.

"If they don't, they'll be evicted," promised Shmull.

Advocate Renato Jarach represented the state.

This is the 28th petition to the High Court against the Green Patrol since its inception five years ago. All 28 have been dismissed.

# Electric Corp. staff to protest on wages

Jerusalem Post Reporter

HAIFA. — The more than 7,000 employees of the Electric Corporation will hold meetings on Sunday to protest against the management's failure to conclude a new labour contract and grant them wage rises.

A staff committee spokesman said the meetings would be held during their breakfast break and would cause no work stoppages or power failures. They will consider further action later.

The committee claims that employees have so far been granted only the general 10 per cent advance, but not compensation payments granted other sectors whose contracts have not yet been concluded. Instead of the additional 12 per cent wage rise for the public sector, the corporation management is offering them only 4 per cent.

# Haifa parents in protest over unheated classrooms

Jerusalem Post Staff

HAIFA. — Angry Haifa parents yesterday demonstrated to protest the lack of heating in local classrooms while Abir Nathan — already at the \$1.5 million mark — continued to raise funds for heating for the elderly.

The slogan-chanting demonstrators said their children, who attend junior high schools and high schools, are unable to study properly because of the extreme cold.

A municipal spokeswoman said it is the Education Ministry's responsibility to cover heating costs, but Haifa, unlike Jerusalem, is not regarded as a priority area. She said the municipality already pays 54 per cent of Haifa's total education budget, including the heating of kindergartens and elementary schools.

The fund run by Abir Nathan's Voice of Peace radio station has raised \$1.5 million for heating fuel for the needy elderly. Nathan said the fund will attempt to distribute blankets as well as fuel, and that an

# Hassan Bek to be renewed as Jaffa mosque

The government and the Tel Aviv municipality have decided to spend \$335 million to refurbish Jaffa's Hassan Bek mosque and then hand the structure over to the Jaffa Moslem community.

Representatives of the Religious Affairs Ministry, the Treasury, the Tel Aviv municipality and the prime minister's adviser on Arab affairs, decided at a meeting in Jerusalem on Tuesday that renovations will begin within a few weeks. The work is expected to take about three years.

The Hassan Bek mosque was built in 1902 by the then Turkish ruler of the same name. It was extensively damaged during the War of Independence, when Arab snipers used the structure to fire at Tel Aviv, and since 1948, it has remained derelict. Rumours of the intended demolition of the mosque aroused a bitter controversy in the fall of 1981. (Itim).

# Boy unintended victim of poisoning

JENIN (Itim). — A local resident was arrested yesterday after her son died when he ate food she had poisoned with the intent to kill her brother-in-law, police alleged.

Police were summoned to the Jenin hospital, where the boy, Amid Taha Sa'idi, died of poisoning. The poison was identified as Parathion, an insecticide.

Police said the woman confessed that her husband had instructed her to prepare the poison meal for her brother-in-law.

Her husband fled, and police are searching for him.

# Plans to set characters of central area districts

By ABRAHAM RABINOVICH  
Jerusalem Post Reporter

Three plans which will affect the urban and rural characters of large areas between metropolitan Tel Aviv, Ashdod, and the Judean Hills were deposited yesterday for public comment by the National Planning Commission.

One plan, for the Lod-Ramle-Ben Gurion Airport area, sets aside space for villas and "prestige residential building" and creates centres for public institutions like hospitals, schools and government offices.

An area for recreation and tourism covering tens of thousands of dunams is planned for the area of the Ben-Shimon forest, part of a plan for the strip between Rosh Ha'ayin in the north to Latrun in the south. The Ben-Shimon quarries would be converted to an industrial park covering 4,000 dunams, which would provide space for industries moving out of the Tel Aviv area.

This plan also calls for two large suburban areas near Latrun and Rosh Ha'ayin and a string of agricultural settlements on the west side of the Green Line.

The third plan aims to preserve the rural character of the towns in the Nea Ziona-Rehovot-Gedera area and prevent the development of urban sprawl there.

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## PEK'IN

The Interior Ministry appointed a committee to run the Pek'in local council after an inquiry found that the previous council members "obstructed the work of the council head and prevented the lawful functioning of the council."



# Defiant Dane sails to fish in forbidden UK waters

NEWCASTLE (Reuters). — British fishery officials waited phlegmatically yesterday for Danish trawler captain Kent Kirk, saying they will arrest him politely and without fuss if he casts his nets in protected waters.

Kirk, a militant fisherman's leader and a Conservative member of the European Parliament, was meanwhile battling through gales to cross the North Sea, catch some British sprats and test in the courts the UK's new fishing regulations.

With 20 queasy journalists filing regular reports from the storm-tossed trawler to the Danish port of Esbjerg, the captain was at last reported expected to breach Britain's 12-mile fishing limit soon after dawn today.

In Brussels, British diplomats yesterday pressed the European Community Commission for firm backing of London's new fishing rules, excluding Danish trawlers from British territorial waters.

The rules were imposed on January 1 after Denmark, alone among the 10 EEC member states, blocked the community's fisheries policy and demanded extra fishing

rights, mostly in British waters.

The Danes say community laws give them a veto over the fishing policies, and in the absence of a unanimous agreement, the right to fish right up to Britain's beaches. But the Danish government has not endorsed Captain Kirk's defiant expedition.

A number of other Danish boats are off Britain's coasts, but officials at the Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food said they all appeared to be avoiding any breach of the rules.

Kirk sailed from Esbjerg on Tuesday in his 140-ton trawler, saying he intended to challenge the new regulations by trawling for sprat — a small, tasty relative of the herring — inside the 12-mile limit.

One of Britain's national newspapers, *The Guardian*, said in an editorial that the fishing dispute was getting out of hand and turning into what it called a sorry media event.

Britain should let the "publicity-seeking seadog" sail back to Denmark with a symbolic catch, giving Denmark's divided politicians more time to fall into line with com-



Captain Kirk aboard his trawler shortly before sailing on Tuesday from Esbjerg, Denmark, to inside the British 12-mile limit. (UPI/telexphoto)

munity policy, the liberal newspaper urged.

But the government vowed to arrest him if he breaks the law. "We shall certainly apprehend

him, because to ignore him would be to allow him to flout the British law. It will be treated in a totally routine way," a ministry spokesman said.

## Mobil Corporation pulls out of Libya

NEW YORK. — Mobil Corporation ended months of wrangling with Libya's oil authorities on Tuesday by announcing it had withdrawn its oil operations from the north African country.

Mobil, the second-largest U.S. oil company, also said it would take the Libyan government to court to recover an undisclosed amount of money. Mobil said the reward would compensate for profits lost as a result of earlier Libyan actions, the value of the assets Mobil left behind in Libya and the future profits Mobil would have earned if Libya had honored earlier agreements.

John Flint, a Mobil spokesman in New York, said Mobil had not decided where it would press its arbitration case. Mobil accused Libya of violating agreements signed at the outset of Mobil's involvement there.

Mobil, one of the original

developers of Libya's oil field, disclosed in June 1982 that it planned to surrender its oil exploration and production interests by July 1982. The company later backed out, saying it would continue discussions.

Flint said no Americans were working for Mobil in Libya when the company halted operations last Thursday. In December, President Ronald Reagan asked all Americans living in Libya to leave, saying they were no longer safe there because of what U.S. government officials had termed Libya's anti-American posture.

Meanwhile, in Düsseldorf, West Germany's largest oil company Veba Oel, which was a partner in Mobil's Libyan concession, said yesterday it did not intend to follow the U.S. company's example in withdrawing from the country, as the previously unsatisfactory situation in the Libyan oil sector had markedly improved. (AP, Reuters)

## U.S. hard-liners force out arms control deputy head

WASHINGTON (AP). — U.S. arms control director Eugene Rostow said on Tuesday that "people who don't want any agreement at all" with the Soviet Union are trying to take control of his agency.

But the embattled head of the U.S. Arms Control and Disarmament Agency said he is pursuing President Ronald Reagan's nuclear policies, and would not follow his deputy, Robert Grey, out of the government.

The White House, deferring to Senator Jesse Helms and other Senate conservatives, confirmed on Tuesday that it would not resubmit Grey's nomination to the new

Congress. The Senate must approve top level government appointments made by the White House.

Rostow denied ever having said he would resign if Grey's nomination was scuttled. "I never made such a statement, even by implication," Rostow said in an interview on Tuesday.

"I serve at the pleasure of the president, so long as it is possible to carry out the mission he has asked me to undertake," he said.

But Rostow said the dispute over Grey's nomination could have a bad effect on the U.S.-Soviet negotiations, which are due to resume next month in Geneva.

## S. African coloured party agrees to proposed poll

ESHOWE (AP). — South Africa's largest coloured party, the Labour Party, has agreed to take part in the white-minority government's proposed elections for parliamentary seats for mixed-race and Asian people.

The decision, by a 300-to-9 vote on Tuesday, was good news for the country's ruling National Party. But the proposal already has caused ultra-right whites to defect from the National Party in its first major split since it took power in 1948.

The proposal was criticized earlier in the day by the Labour Party's national leader, the Reverend Allan Hendrickse, because it provides for no representation for the country's black majority, and it still faces strong opposition from some local coloured

groups. But Hendrickse urged support of it nevertheless.

The resolution approved by the Labour Party delegates said the government's plan would not solve the country's racial problems. But it added that participation by coloureds could contribute ultimately to the party's goal of a one man, one vote government.

Virtually all Labour Party leaders have described the reform proposals as inadequate because blacks are granted no political rights. Anti-apartheid coloured and Asian leaders describe themselves as blacks, and call blacks the "black blacks."

The Labour Party debate centred on whether the chance for representation for the 2.7 million mixed-race people should be grabbed as a first step towards black majority rule.

## Englewood votes to evict Libyan envoy

ENGLEWOOD, New Jersey. — The Englewood city council adopted a three-point resolution last night aimed at preventing the Libyan ambassador to the U.N. from occupying a \$1 million mansion as a diplomatic mission in this affluent community.

The resolution, passed unanimously by the five-member council, calls on the U.S. Secretary of State to evict the ambassador from the house for alleged violation of the Foreign Missions Act and seeks to rescind the sale as unlawful. The council also threatened federal lawsuits over the issue.

Englewood officials claim Libya did not get permission from the secretary of state to purchase the

house. Libya questions whether it is required to do so.

Ambassador Ali Tereiki bought the 25-room mansion, known as Thunder-Roc, last week. The Tudor-style stone house would enjoy tax-free status under diplomatic immunity, costing Englewood \$14,000 a year in property taxes, the council said.

Ambassador Tereiki has offered to offset that tax strain by donating \$14,000 to charity, but the idea was turned down.

The town council said Libyan use of the house would also cause more traffic, would call for additional security requirements and might lead to anti-Libyan demonstrations.

## USSR: pope-killing talk 'CIA slander'

MOSCOW (Reuters). — The Communist party newspaper *Pravda* said yesterday that Bulgaria and the Soviet Union were not involved in the attempt to kill the pope, and it accused the U.S. Central Intelligence Agency of waging a slander campaign aimed at implicating them.

The newspaper called it absurd that communist countries might have something to do with ter-

rorism. "This contradicts the policy and ideology of our society."

The article followed reports in western newspapers linking Bulgaria and the Soviet Union to the attempt on Pope John Paul's life in May 1981. He was shot in St. Peter's Square by Turkish gunman Mehmet Ali Agca, now serving a life jail sentence in Italy.

## NEWS IN BRIEF

### Paris police hold tramp for murder try

PARIS (AP). — French police were holding a 55-year-old drifter on Tuesday on charges of attempting to push a man onto a subway track in the fourth such "metro pusher" incident in Paris since November.

Two of the previous attacks were fatal, while the third seriously injured an elderly man.

The latest incident occurred on Monday night in the Madeleine station in central Paris. Police said Jean-Louis Fernandez, a 23-year-old stage hand, was heading home when a middle-aged man began yelling at him and forcing him to the edge of the platform.

Fernandez was able to prevent the man's first attempt to push him onto the track, but a fellow metro traveller had to intervene to save Fernandez from a second attempt to shove him off the platform.

Metro security police arrested Daniel Sauterau at the scene. They said he was drunk and unemployed. A psychiatric exam has been ordered.

### U.S. farmers protest bank purchase of homestead

SPRINGFIELD, Colorado (AP). — More than 200 chanting farmers tried to stop a public farm auction by lining Springfield's main street with banner-festooned tractors and storming the steps of the courthouse before being dispersed by tear gas.

At least one person was hurt in the melee on Tuesday. Three farmers were arrested, but one in handcuffs escaped, said Baca County Sheriff Willard Goff.

At auction was a 320-acre wheat farm in southeastern Colorado owned by Jerry Wright. Despite the disturbance, the Federal Land Bank of Wichita, which held the deed, bought the farm for about \$91,000.

Alton Warren, president of the Federal Land Bank Association of Lamar, said Wright was three years behind on his payments.

### Agnew repays \$268,482 in old bribes

BALTIMORE (Reuters). — Former U.S. vice-president Spiro Agnew yesterday repaid the state of Maryland \$268,482 to cover bribes that a court ruled he had taken while serving as governor and vice-president.

A Maryland court ruled in April 1981 that Agnew "breached his public trust" by accepting payments in exchange for state engineering contracts totalling \$147,500. He was ordered to repay that sum, plus interest.

State Attorney-General Stephen Sachs said the repayment by Agnew "reminds us of the good, old-fashioned principle that public office is a public trust."

"It helps erase at least part of the stain that Maryland's reputation has suffered because of Agnew's greed."

### Russian wins European Junior chess tourney

GRONINGEN, Netherlands. — Jan Elfvist of the Soviet Union won the European Junior Chess Championship on Tuesday night with 11 points, finishing the 13-round tournament one-half point ahead of defending champion Curt Hansen of Denmark.

Israel's Alon Greenfeld finished in fourth place, after losing to Tamas Ustasi of Hungary in 58 moves.

Mark Condie of Scotland took third place with 9.5 points after beating Giles Miralles of France, who ended tied for 14th place with six points. (Reuters, AP)

### Floods begin receding in 2 south U.S. states

MONROE, Louisiana (AP). — Floodwaters began receding in some bays of Louisiana on Tuesday as government disaster experts surveyed damage estimated at up to \$200 million statewide.

Dry weather also brought relief to civil defence authorities in Mississippi, where more than a million acres of land (four million dunams) were under water.

Six persons in Louisiana and two in Mississippi have died in flooding and storms since Christmas.

The Red Cross has estimated that 10,000 people were affected by the flood, with 3,270 homes damaged.

### Paris archbishop, an ex-Jew, named cardinal

PARIS (AP). — Paris Archbishop Monsignor Jean-Marie Lustiger, 56, is to be elevated to cardinal by Pope John Paul II next month. He is a convert to Roman Catholicism whose parents, Polish Jews, immigrated to France early in the century.

Lustiger's mother and father were deported during the Nazi occupation of France in World War II, and his mother died at Auschwitz in 1943. His father escaped. Lustiger took refuge with a family in Orleans and converted to Catholicism in 1940.

### Poland's Glemp to become a cardinal

VATICAN CITY (Reuters). — Pope John Paul yesterday named Polish primate Jozef Glemp a cardinal and said he would be ordained in a ceremony on February 2.

The Pope was speaking during his weekly general audience.

### Turkey asks death penalty for 106

DIYARBAKIR (AP). — A military prosecutor has demanded the death penalty for 106 alleged Kurdish separatists who are on trial in this southeastern city, the Turkish martial law command announced yesterday.

The rest of the defendants, numbering 269, face possible prison terms of from five to 36 years.

The defendants, all members of a notorious Kurdish gang known as Apocular, are charged with 24 killings, 29 murder attempts, 10 kidnappings, shootouts with security officials, raiding villages, bombings, arson, and armed robbery.

### Soviet missile code may violate SALT

WASHINGTON (Reuters). — The Soviet Union is making greater use of secret codes for signals from its missiles, a practice which could violate arms control accords, U.S. officials said yesterday.

"We are disturbed by Soviet behaviour in this area, and we do intend to bring up the issue for clarification," one official said, after press reports on Soviet coding of data sent back to ground receivers about range, speed and other performance characteristics of missiles.

Both sides monitor the signals because the information is useful in checking compliance with arms control agreements.

## Sports

### SOCCER PREVIEW

## Weather complicates soccer

By PAUL KOHN

Post Sports Reporter

TEL AVIV. — Sportoto punters today will be anxiously studying the heavens and meteorologists' reports: washouts on Saturday count as draws on the coupon. Soccer coaches will be hoping that their players did not get rusty during last weekend's puddle games or enforced layoffs from football.

In for the two Jerusalem teams, Betar and Hapoel, the gloomy weather is symbolic. They flounder in 14th and 16th places respectively at the halfway stage of the season, and neither team will have it easy in Saturday's games; Netanya will witness a clash between top and bottom, the runaway league leaders playing Hapoel Jerusalem. According to the form book, this should be a cakewalk for Oded Machness, Benni Lamm, Moshe Gariani, Haim Bar-David Levy and the other Netanya stars. But they should bear in mind the fact that a team close to desperation will put every ounce of effort into self-preservation. In England, Sunderland, in a position analogous to that of Hapoel Jerusalem, somehow achieved draws with the three league leaders, Liverpool, Manchester United and Nottingham Forest.

Betar Jerusalem plays Shimshon at the YMCA ground, which was literally snow-white last Saturday. Shimshon has been creeping up the league table and is now in third place, thanks to some crucial Gideon Dami goals and fine midfield play by Shalom Mizrah and Efraim Arviv. These are the players Betar will have to watch very closely.

A careful look at the league table shows Betar to have scored 15 goals to Shimshon's 14, and with home ground advantage, Uri Malmilian, Eli Ohana, Eli Mialy and Co. may halt the Shimshon advance and do themselves a world of good too.

Maccabi Tel Aviv has been in uninspiring form in the past month playing some good midfield football without scoring goals. If they repeat this style of play at Yavne, the plucky newcomers to the First Division may hold them to a draw. Yavne will certainly take the field with confidence, following its 1-0 away in Yehud last week, thanks to a goal by Avi Yerushalmi, a former Maccabi Tel Aviv defender.

The most interesting game in Tel Aviv is likely to be the encounter between Bnei Yehuda and Maccabi Haifa in the Hatzikva Quarter. The Haifaes scored an overdue win in their last game, away to Kfar Sava, but they will find Bnei Yehuda a tougher nut to crack, and will probably be happy to come away with a draw.

At the Bloomfield Stadium, Hapoel Tel Aviv in sixth place, play Hapoel Lod, one spot behind. While the Tel Avivians were strongly fancied to be Maccabi Netanya's main challengers for the championship this season, little was expected from the newly promoted Lod team. Yet Lod has been scoring more goals than Hapoel. Though Moshe Sinai, Gil Landau, Shabtay Levy and Co. must be favourites to win on their own ground, they may well be in for a surprise from Lod.

### SPORTOTO GUIDE

	Single	Parimutuel
Ramat Gan vs. Beersheba	1	1x
Betar Jlm vs. Shimshon	1	1x
Yavne vs. Mac. TA	1	x2
Kfar Sava vs. Yehud	1	1x
Jaffa vs. Mac. PT	1	x
Bnei Yehuda vs. Mac. Haifa	1	x
Hap. TA vs. Hap. Lod	1	1x
Netanya vs. Hap. Jlm	1	1
Beit Shean vs. Hekhal	2	2
Beit Shean vs. Hadera	2	2
Shar' Am vs. Rishon LeZion	2	1
Hap. PT vs. Ramla	1	1
K. Shmona vs. Ashdod	1	1x

### Basketball win

The Israel national basketball team won 85-76 in the Four Nations Cup in Stockholm on Tuesday, after trailing 32-46. Doron Janchik scored 21 points.

### NBA Action

Boston 88; Houston 96; San Antonio 102; Atlanta 95; Denver 137; Kansas City 121; Chicago 147; Detroit 138; Washington 92; Dallas 84; Phoenix 97; New York 85; Utah 78; Golden State 88; Portland 119; Indiana 177; New Jersey 102; Milwaukee 95.

Ed Street; Oriol; Kendy Sex. nonsens. adults only; Oriol; Hamis 6.45, 9; Peer: Victor Victoria 6, 9.30, 9.15; Ron: Eglino; Home: Kena Oriol One Flew Over the Cuckoo's Nest 6.45, 9.

RAMAT GAN: Oriol: Victor Victoria 7, 9.30; La Zissile 4; Lly: Ely Under the Sun 7.15, 9.30; Oriol: Missing 7, 9.30; Xanadu 4; Oriol: Private Popsicle 7.15, 9.30; Ramat Gan: The Man with the Deadly Lens 7.15, 9.30; Kfar Hamekabe: Shining 7.30, 9.30.

HERZLIYA: Heretz Rocky III 7.15, 9.15.

PETAH TIKVA: Stadium: Fire Fox 6.45, 9.15; Carousel 4.

NETANYA: Oriol: Private Popsicle 7, 9.15; Az Men Gt Namt Men 7.

HOLOH: Migdal: Missing 7.30, 9.30; Star Invasion 4.30; Sava: A Policewoman Called Louis 4.30, 7.15, 9.30.

RAMAT HASHARON: Sava: A Star is Born 7; Chitty Chitty Bang Bang 4; Some Like It Hot 9.30.

HOD HASHARON: Sava: La Boum 7.15; Death Wish II, 9.30; Popeye 4.

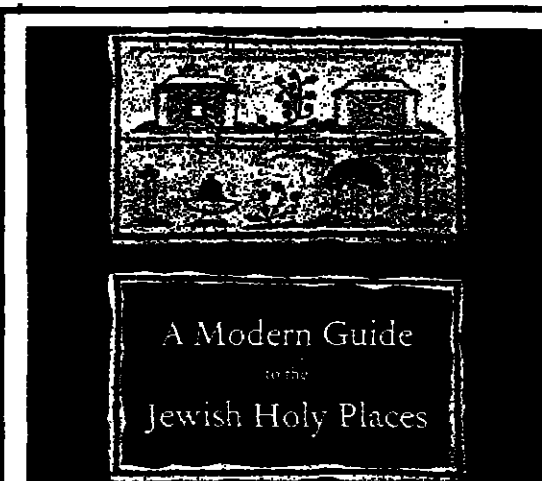
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## ENTERTAINMENT

### TELEVISION

EDUCATIONAL:  
8.15 Language and Communication 3-5  
8.40 Spoken Arabic 9.00 English 7-9  
Music 13.30 French 15.00 Programme for 10.30 The History of Erez Yisrael 10.50 Programme for Kindergarten 11.15 English 6-11.30 Geography 7-9 12.00 Science 7-8 12.30 Literature 9-12 13.00 Music 13.30 French 15.00 Programme for Kindergarten; Science: Life in the Space Age (repeats) 16.00 This Is It — live youth magazine 17.00 A New Evening — live magazine  
CHILDREN'S PROGRAMMES:  
17.30 Mr. Merlin. Series about Merlin the wizard appearing in the 20th century  
18.00 Shul's Cat Club — guests include Yaffa Yarkoni  
ARABIC-LANGUAGE programmes:  
18.30 News roundup  
18.32 Situation  
18.45 Inventions and Innovations  
19.00 Meeting — discussions on current affairs  
19.30 News  
HEBREW PROGRAMMES resume at 20.00 with a news roundup  
20.03 Match of the Week  
20.50 Beauty Spot — tips for hikers and trips

21.00 Mahat Newsreel  
21.30 The Mosad — series of 3 programmes on Israel's intelligence services. Part 2: The Mosad — the Human Factor  
22.30 Winston Churchill — The Wilderness Years. Final episode of an 8-part series on the life of Winston Churchill between 1929 and 1939. Starring Robert Hardy, Stan Phillips and Peter Barkworth  
23.10 Shelley: Dry Rot  
23.35 News  
JORDAN TV (unofficial):  
17.30 Cartoons 18.00 French Hour 18.30 (JTV 3) The Misadventures of Sheriff Lobo 19.00 News in French 19.00 News in Hebrew 20.00 News in Arabic 20.30 Private Benjamin 21.10 Eight Is Enough  
22.00 News in English 22.15 To be announced

### ON THE AIR

First Programme  
6.11 Musical Clock  
7.07 This Morning — news magazine followed by Morning Melodies  
8.05 Beethoven: Symphony No. 6 (Barshai, Moscow); Schubert: Schwanengesang (Fischer-Dieskau, Gerald Moore); Bartok: The Miraculous Mandarin  
10.05 Menahem Alvidom: Mediterranean Symphony (Jerusalem Symphony, Burm); Ibert: Anchoresses in the Mediterranean

(Paris, Barenboim): Saint-Saens: Barcarole from Samson et Dalila; Ippolitov-Ivanov: Excerpts from Caucasian Sketches (Utah, Abraham); Cui: Oriental Melody  
11.00 Sephardi Traditions  
11.15 Elementary School Broadcasts  
11.30 Education for All  
12.05 Bach: Recorder Concerto in D Major (Frans Bruggen, Israel Chamber Orchestra); Canteleube: Chants d'Auvergne (Nekania Dorval, Sinfonia Symoni); Yehuda Wolt: Light and Shadow, Op. 34 (Kol Israel, Yuri Aharonovich)  
12.00 Cinema: Il matrimonio segreto (Barenboim)  
14.10 Children's programmes  
15.25 Talk on halachic matters by Chief Rabbi Shlomo Goren  
15.55 Notes on a New Book  
16.05 First Recording — Rina Dukhtsky; piano — Bach: Toccata and Fugue in E Minor; Mozart: Sonata in B-flat Major, K.281; Yitzhak Edel: 2 Pieces from Trypticon; Schumann: Abegg Variations  
16.40 Speaker's Podium  
17.10 Lesson in Halacha  
17.35 Programmes for Olim  
18.30 Heret Israeli plays Leib Nahman: 4 Titles on Jewish Themes; Prokofiev: Sonata No. 1  
20.35 The Jerusalem Symphony Orchestra, Doron Salomon conducting, with Herut Israeli, piano — Milhaud: Le boeuf sur le toit; Haydn: Piano Concerto

boeuf sur le toit; Haydn: Piano Concerto in D Major; Tchaikovsky: Francesca da Rimini — From the European Broadcasting Union, Milan, December 1982 — Pergolesi: Mass in F Major; Petrassi: Orations Christi 23.00 Radio Drama  
Quintet in F Major  
Second Programme:  
7.00 This Morning — news magazine  
8.05 First Thing — with Ehad Manor  
10.10 All Shades of the Network  
12.05 Open Line  
13.00 Midday — news commentary, music (repeats)  
16.10 Any Questions? 17.10 Magazine  
17.25 Of Men and Figures  
18.05 After the Emergency Ward  
18.47 Bible Reading — Proverbs 16:19-33  
19.00 Today  
20.10 Between Friday and Saturday (repeats)  
21.05 With People (repeats)  
22.05 I'm Asleep but My Heart is Awake (repeats)  
23.05 Treasure Hunt — radio game  
Army  
6.06 Morning Sounds  
6.30 University of the Air — Prof. Yehuda Fried lectures on Psychology  
7.07 "707" — with Alex Ansky  
8.05 IDF Morning News  
9.05 Right Now — with Yitzhak Ben-Ner  
11.05 Musical Requests

12.05 Israeli Winter — with Eli Yisrael  
13.05 One and to the Point  
14.05 Two Hours — music, anecdotes and interviews  
16.05 Four in the Afternoon — Hebrew songs  
17.05 IDF Evening Newsreel  
18.05 Economics Magazine  
19.05 Memorial Service in honour of former chief of staff, Rav Aluf Haim Laskov  
20.05 Israeli Hit Parade  
21.00 Mahat Newsreel  
21.35 University on the Air (repeats)  
22.05 Popular songs  
23.05 From the Classical Record Shelf — with Dudi Lenz and Ariel Cohen  
00.05 Night Birds  
CINEMAS  
JERUSALEM 4, 7, 9  
Eden: Dead End Street; Edison: E.T. Habrak: Donitz Doesn't Answer; Kfir: Good Luck; Mitchell: Fitzcarraldo 6.15, 9; Oriol: Born to Victory; Oriol: Tempest 4, 6.30, 9; Oriol: Banana Joe; Rea: Lockwork; Oriol: Semardar Red 8; Blayend: Ha'men: Ratline 6,







## Laser Industries' new surgical scanner

By JOSEPH MORGENSTERN  
Post Finance Reporter

TEL AVIV. — Laser Industries last night announced that it had developed a totally new surgical laser instrument, the Microscan 771 micro-processor controlled laser scanner.

This device makes possible the uniform removal of large irregularly shaped tissues in a number of surgical disciplines, such as neurosurgery, gynecology and plastic surgery. The results of operations using the scanner here will be presented to American surgeons next week at the third annual meeting of the American Society for Laser Medicine and Surgery.

The laser scanner has been developed in the company's R & D laboratories. It allows surgeons to use pre-defined human tissue areas automatically, using a visible helium neon guide beam. Surgeons first outline the tissue area to be scanned by the laser. Upon the surgeon's verification, the scanner is activated

and uniformly lases precisely within the outlined area.

In over 50 operations already performed, the scanner has achieved homogeneity of tissue vaporization, both in respect to shape and depth, reduction of surgeon fatigue, and lessening of pain in procedures not requiring anaesthetic.

Laser Industries has a patent pending for the device which the management hopes will increase the scope and use of laser surgery. The company's shares are traded on the American Stock Exchange.

## Safe-blasters take IS2.3m. from bank

HAIFA. — Robbers broke into a Bank Hapoalim branch in Kiryat Haim early yesterday, blasted open a safe and escaped with IS2.3 million in cash.

The theft was discovered when the deputy manager arrived to open the bank and smelled smoke.

## Back to work today at Makhteshim

By LIOA MORIEL

BEERSHEBA. — The 300 shift workers at Makhteshim chemical plant here returned to work Tuesday morning after an agreement between their works committee and management.

Management agreed to reinstate Yosef Belash who had been laid off last Wednesday night, thereby triggering a strike by his workers.

Management agreed to equate the conditions at its two Negev plants, in Beersheba and Ramat Horav and to open talks on wage demands later this week.

Earlier, the strikers had been given notice that if they did not report for work they would be fired. They would be fired.

After much internal feuding the strikers agreed to return to work and let the committee negotiate for them.

## Robots one key to future of science-based industry

By DAVID RUDGE  
Jerusalem Post Reporter

HAIFA. — Two locally developed robots — an automated welding unit and a machine tool attachment — are to be unveiled in April. A third machine, for integrated computer circuit inspection, will go on show in two weeks. Prof. Arie Lavie, chief scientist in the industry and Trade Ministry, said here yesterday.

Research and development work is progressing on eight other robot projects, including new devices for aiding the agricultural industry, in packaging, fruit picking, and even an automated tractor, he said. He was addressing a conference at the Haifa Engineers' Club on ways of encouraging future investment in science-based industries.

Lavie said the government was also making use of the facilities and brain power of Israel's universities to help firms carry out pioneering work in the fields of biotechnology and genetic engineering. A total of 15 companies doing R & D work into new drugs, foods and chemicals had been established recently, either attached to or near the universities including the Technion.

He said the government was sup-

porting R & D in science-based industries by paying 50 per cent of the initial costs. His own department was this year giving \$50 million in grants and incentives, while the rest of the required investment was coming from the private sector. A large proportion of this private investment came from America, he said.

Lavie predicted that science-based industries would become the future trademark of Israel, replacing the Jaffa orange. Exports of Israeli developed and manufactured products in the electronics, computer and science fields reached \$1.3 billion last year, and he predicted this would rise to \$5.5 billion in the 1990s.

New technology was the key to Israel's future, he said, and if development went ahead as expected, this sector of industry would provide 100,000 new jobs — 35,000 of them for engineers and technicians — by the end of the decade. He added that in recent years more than 300 locally trained engineers and scientists had returned from the U.S. and Europe to meet the challenge of working in and developing the new technology industries in Israel. He expected many more to follow suit, he said.

## World airlines expect \$2b. loss in 1983

GENEVA (AP). — Member airlines of the International Air Transport Association (IATA) expect an aggregate loss of \$1.7 billion to \$2b. this year, slightly better than the estimate for 1982, IATA director-general Knut Hammarskjöld said yesterday.

Thus, 1983 will be the fifth straight year of deficit for the industry. Hammarskjöld said, however, that "the airlines are succeeding, through drastic pruning, in holding down operating costs."

The estimated overall loss for 1982 was \$2.1b. IATA spokesman David Kyd said.

Hammarskjöld said he had "no illusions as to the magnitude of

the task facing the airlines in fighting back to profitability. He said markets were stagnating in many areas and capacity, expected to be up three per cent, was likely to outstrip traffic growths by two per cent.

The IATA chief executive also said in a press statement that he was "very worried about the risk of protectionism. Last November IATA airlines adopted a resolution calling on governments to reduce barriers to trade in aviation services. They cited airport charges, taxation, customs procedures, noise constraints and other regulations which they said were hampering business."

## 'Welfare' roll down by 3,000 in last year

By CHARLES HOFFMAN  
Jerusalem Post Reporter

The number of persons and families now receiving "welfare" from the National Insurance Institute has stabilized at about 10,000 cases, compared with 13,000 a year ago. At the same time, the number of unjustified claims for income maintenance under the law introduced a year ago has steadily declined from about half to a third of the 3,000 new claims made each month.

The head of the income maintenance department in the NII, Nathan Navon, told *The Jerusalem Post* that these figures prove that transferring welfare payments from local municipal bureaus to the NII has made it harder for the undeserving to cheat the system, while making sure that those really in need get their due.

Of the 3,000 cases dropped from the rolls during the last year, he said, most were handicapped persons now taken care of by other NII departments. The next largest category includes the "welfare cheaters," those discovered by the NII computer to own a car or real estate, or to be holding a regular

job. The third group comprises 450 yeshiva students with families, who now get grants from the Religious Affairs Ministry.

Income maintenance grants this month are IS4,589 for a single person, IS6,884 for a couple and IS12,857 for a couple with two children.

Navon said that although no system can eliminate cheating, the NII is much better insulated against the political pressures and physical intimidation that often led harassed social workers in the past to cave into unjustified demands for welfare.

In addition, the NII computer can check if an applicant is getting or should get benefits from another NII branch, and also has access to the government's data bank, which social workers do not.

He added that the Treasury's suspicion that the welfare rolls would be swelled by young men looking for a handout hasn't been borne out. Neither has there been a tendency for jobless discharged soldiers to apply for income maintenance once their unemployment insurance ran out.

Of the 10,000 now on the rolls,

## Manipulating prices is too easy now Stock prices must fall, exchange chairman says

By LEA LEVAVI  
Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — The market has to come down, stock exchange board chairman Dr. Meir Heth predicted yesterday, but he wouldn't say when. "Ultimately, there has to be a relationship between the market and the economy. Stocks can't keep going up forever when their market value is far out of proportion to the real value of the companies," he added that he will say the same thing next year, if the predicted fall in stock prices hasn't taken place by then.

Heth told reporters that the trading method used here is no longer suitable to the burgeoning amount of trading, but that efforts to change the system have so far met with resistance. "There are some members of the exchange who are more interested in influencing stock prices than in really buying or selling shares," he said. "I think that's the most important reason the continuous trading session experiment failed."

The other problem, he said, was that members of the exchange, with one or two exceptions, didn't want to invest the money and effort required to make the system work. People have to start looking beyond the next 24 hours. "If we don't start learning to think about more than the next 24 hours, and if we don't educate investors, we eventually won't have a market."

He recommended that members of the stock exchange take a stronger interest in finding a trading method which would be less subject to manipulation than the current one. Unless this is done, there may be no choice but for the legislature to intervene, and that would be worse, he said.

There is no system which is totally immune to manipulation, but the current trading method is very easy

to manipulate, he added. Everyone thinks they know what manipulation is, but it's a very hard thing to prove. If a trader puts in a large buying order, and then changes it when the price reaches a certain level, it's hard to know whether he is making a legitimate decision not to go above a given price, or whether the whole purpose of the exercise was to bring the stock to that particular price.

On the subject of educating investors, Heth said the bank's policy of regulating their stocks to keep them going up is responsible for the public attitude that investing in stocks is a certain way to make money. "I approve of a company stepping in to avoid drastic changes in its stock prices because of normally fluctuating supply or demand, but I don't think a company should keep its stock going up artificially and not let it go down when the laws of supply and demand say it should."

Dr. Heth said 76 new companies floated issues on the exchange this year. This was not only a new record for Israel, but surpassed only by the number of new issues on the New York, American and Tokyo exchanges.

Heth thinks the exchange should develop more stringent rules, requiring that companies which sell their stock to the public meet stricter criteria of size, previous business record, and profitability. He refused to give further details, since the matter has not yet been fully discussed within the exchange.

FOREIGN CURRENCY		
Yesterday's foreign exchange rates against the Israeli Shekel, for U.S. dollar transactions under \$3,000 and transactions of other currencies under the equivalent of \$500.		
	Selling	Buying
US\$	33.9740	33.6359
DM	14.4600	14.3131
Swiss FR	17.2632	17.0827
Sterling	55.0548	54.8089
French FR	5.1027	5.0518
Dutch G	13.0668	12.9387
Austrian S\$ (10)	20.9592	20.3565
Swedish KR	4.8925	4.8458
Danish KR	4.0978	4.0562
Norwegian KR	4.8852	4.8372
Finnish MK	6.4859	6.3949
Canadian \$	27.8178	27.4249
Rand	31.8744	31.5572
Australian \$	34.5680	33.2339
Belgian C\$ (10)	7.3521	7.2789
Belgian Fin (10)	7.0617	6.9514
Yen (100)	14.8487	14.7010
Italian Lire (1000)	25.0777	24.8281
GOLD: \$453.80/\$454.50/oz.		
INTERBANK SPOT RATES:		
US\$	1.6250/60	per \$
DM	2.3508/18	per \$
Swiss FR	1.9708/20	per \$
French FR	6.6600/20	per \$
Italian Lire	1358.50/00	per \$
Dutch G	2.5995/10	per \$
Norwegian KR	6.9520/40	per \$
Danish KR	8.2900/25	per \$
Yen	228.85/00	per \$
Swedish KR	7.2950/00	per \$
FORWARD RATES:		
3M	1.6230/244	1.6198/212
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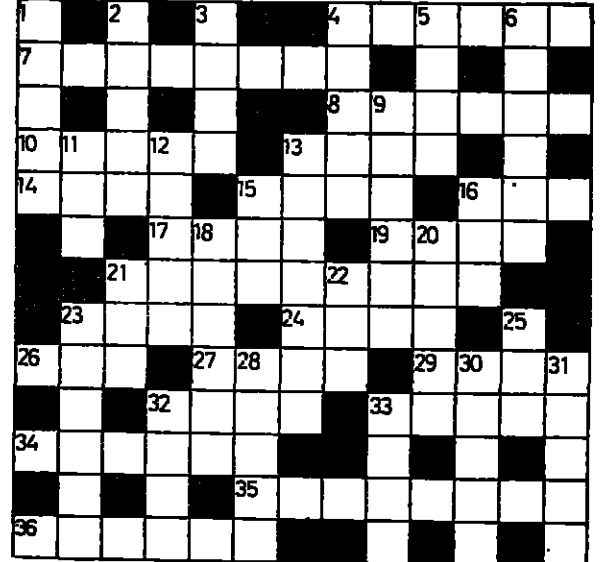
#### ACROSS

- It's in Kent, perhaps, that you'll find this young player (6)
- Lamb on cereal, nominally (8)
- Shop singer? (6)
- Sadie's mad notions (5)
- That flaming woman! (4)
- Tom's sign of approval (4)
- Powder used in post-natal clinics (4)
- Finished part of a canoe race (3)
- Return a note to school (4)
- Like quarters of venison? (4)
- Beastly meat-eater (9)
- Think of many an exercise (4)
- Girl's name for an army regiment (4)
- Willow flier? (3)
- Debatable by some smooth talkers (4)
- The sound Otto makes (4)
- Duck into a bar with a swine (4)
- That in number three cabin? (5)
- Birds in variety (6)
- Blemishes, but not when on record (3, 5)
- Delays take advantage of (6)

#### DOWN

- Reduced subscription for certain shares (5)
- Red turning to gold in succession! (5)
- Not so much of a blessing without Crosby (4)
- A bulk product in Afghanistan (5)
- Get fed up with it changing again (4)
- Balanced up by a regular fellow (6)
- It may hold its position by a fluke (6)

Use the same diagram for either the Cryptic or the Easy puzzle.



- It's no good backing this again! (3)
- Where Ali turns on a man (6)
- Good as music can be (5)
- Place of exceptional fertility (5)
- Giant in astronomy (5)
- The ones in central Lesotho, possibly (5)
- It's shaky when Trevor gets a letter wrong (6)
- Angry chap at half time (5)
- Reduced damage? (3)
- Vessel tax (3)
- Where Ali turns on a man (6)
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- Giant in astronomy (5)
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- Reduced damage? (3)

Yesterday's Cryptic Solution  
ACROSS.—1. A-mout. 7. Overdone. 8. Lips. 10. Abates. 11. Advert. 14. Wet. 16. Dales. 17. L-and. 19. Giv-en. 21. Far-Ed. 22. Table. 23. D-Art. 26. Sonic. 28. Sol. 29. Erects. 30. MI-ner. 31. A-lis. 32. Disc-over. 33. Kansas.  
DOWN.—1. As-sail. 2. United. 3. To-as. 4. P-rod-ded. 5. Tow-el. 6. Dents. 8. Lawn. 9. Pet. 12. (Ludwig) Van (Beethoven). 13. Ref-er. 15. Girls. 18. AC-tor. 19. Gab. 20. Yee. 21. F-act-ion. 22. T-ic. 23. Dorian. 24. A-las-tis. 25. Thebes. 26. Seedy. 27. News-y. 28. SF-X. 30. Mark.

Yesterday's Easy Solution  
ACROSS.—1. Cattle. 7. Village. 8. Smee. 10. Reaper. 11. Assets. 14. Gel. 16. Tiers. 17. Seer. 19. Sleet. 21. Blind. 22. Toted. 23. Bath. 26. Flier. 28. Sec. 29. Revere. 30. Butler. 31. Ants. 32. Throwing. 33. Sorrow.  
DOWN.—1. Courts. 2. Temper. 3. Ever. 4. Blasted. 5. Agree. 6. Cross. 8. Sage. 9. Eel. 12. St. 13. Trust. 15. Piled. 18. Evile. 19. St. 20. End. 21. Borrows. 22. Tee. 23. Baiter. 24. Acts. 25. Harrow. 26. Froth. 27. Ivory. 28. Sun. 30. Bags.

### EASY PUZZLE

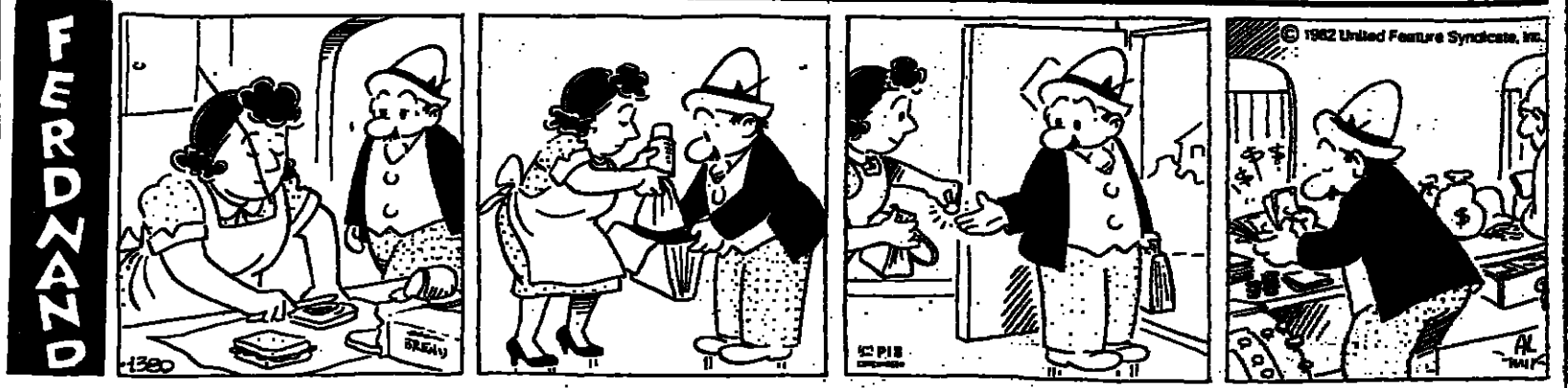
#### ACROSS

- Permanently frozen area (3-3)
- Midday meal (8)
- In foreign parts (6)
- Tyre surface (5)
- Break suddenly (4)
- Eastern garment (4)
- Frank (4)
- Metal container (3)
- List of dishes (4)
- Continent (4)
- Devoted veneration (9)
- Signalling system (4)
- Back (4)
- Gardening tool (3)
- Christmas (4)
- Smooth (4)
- Collar fastener (4)
- Fig (5)
- Break (6)
- Shelled creature (8)
- Plays for time (6)

#### DOWN

- Schemes (5)
- Ire (5)
- Heavy sound (4)
- Mindless (5)
- "Wyatt" (4)
- Middle Eastern peninsula (4)
- Fruit (6)
- Tattered cloth (3)
- Intended (5)
- Goaded (7)
- Single figure (3)
- Bind (3)
- Occurrences (6)
- Propeller (5)
- Fish eggs (3)
- Fish (3)
- Forcefully argued (6)
- Female bird (3)
- Unseats (5)
- Bright (5)
- At no time (5)
- Vend (4)
- Building plot (4)

## Solutions to today's puzzle tomorrow



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## Shares higher in volatile trading

**TEL AVIV.** — In a session marked by highly volatile trading equities yesterday maintained their upward momentum. Seventeen securities were "buyers only," while only six were "sellers only." Another 77 securities were up by 5% or more, while 51 declined by similar margins.

The spotlight shone brightly on the recently issued Citrus Properties, as their price soared by nearly 15%. Again Chemicals which debuted on Monday, found that its shares were in demand and advanced by 11 points, on a turnover of nearly 1512m. Trading was generally active and just under the 152 billion level.

Index-linked bonds were either stable or slightly higher in quiet trading.

The shekel was devalued by 11 agorot vis-a-vis the dollar. The latter continued to be weak in trading against the major currencies on European exchanges.

The usually sedate commercial banking sector was full of action. The Danot 1.0 shares exploded upward and added nearly 41%. The 5.0 stock was up by 21.6%. It will be recalled that Danot is the principal in any deal involving the sale of the First International Bank. The latter was up by 45 points, to 1,850.

Impressive performances were also chalked up by the Maritime Bank 0.1 and the General Bank shares, as both advanced by almost 3%. The Maritime Bank 0.5 stock was 10% higher.

The "star" of the insurance sector was Sahar, whose shares

### Tel Aviv Stock Exchange

By JOSEPH MORGENSTERN

rocketed ahead by 53.3%.

The service group saw Teta 5.0 lose 10%, while the 1.0 stock remained unchanged. Newly issued Crystal was up by 10%.

The land development and real estate group was mixed, with a generally upward tenor. Recent sharp gainer Lumir 1.0 was up by 8.8%.

Baranowitz 1.0 continued to float higher, as it recorded a 9.5% advance.

In a paradoxical display of "contrary movement" in the morning session, the Rasco options recorded a 14% gain. In the afternoon, the Rasco ordinary and preferred shares were both "sellers only." No explanation for the move was available. It will be recalled that Rasco recently announced sharply higher earnings.

Among industrials Elco 0.25 galloped ahead by 21.6%. The Hamashul options were traded for the first time and at 296.

In a mixed-to-higher investment company group, the 1.0 Israel Corporation shares returned to winning ways with a 90-point gain. Cial Real Estate continued to rise as it posted a 10% gain. Piryon was unchanged, but Pama 0.1 was down by 3.8%.

Today Harel-Mishan will trade ex-bonus shares in the order of 40%. Zlora Cable option 2 will trade for the first time today.

Hatehof will today allocate 50% in bonus shares to shareholders. Israel Citrus Plantations is allocating today 1,000% in bonus shares.

Moleit is today allocating 200% in bonus shares. Several sessions ago its shares tumbled by more than 40% when they were traded ex-bonus shares.

Crystal has announced that it is going into a venture importing video and stereophonic equipment. Israel General Bank announced that its offer of sale of the Drexel Mutual Fund was vastly over-subscribed and that bidders will be allocated a little over 12%.

Most active stocks

Danot 5.0	745	10,002.2	+74
Lumir	1732	5,682.9	+45
Mizrahi	1938	4,755.7	+45
Shares traded		15,121.7m.	
Bonds		15,241.5m.	

## Histadrut kibbutzim buy half of Hilon export company

By YITZHAK OKED  
Jerusalem Post Reporter

**RISHON LEZION.** — Kibbutz and moshav movements affiliated with the Histadrut have bought 50 per cent of the private company Hilon, which exports agricultural produce.

The move is designed to cut down competition and exert political pressure on the Likud government.

The kibbutzim and moshavim paid \$2.6 million. Hilon, which has been in existence for about 25 years, belongs to the Hillel family. The remaining 50 per cent will remain in the hands of Danny Hillel, his family and his mother. Danny's uncle Moshe was the one who sold his 50 per cent interest. Danny Hillel will continue as Hilon's managing director, while the settlements will appoint a board chairman and a deputy managing director.

People in the agricultural community describe the deal as an earthquake and a revolution. The settlements, for their part, will now be able to take greater control of their exports.

Since the Likud came into power the settlements lost most of the control in the government-controlled Agrexco export company. Now, by

owning their own private export company, they can threaten to transfer all their business to this company. This, of course, will not be so easy, since the government controls the issuing of all export permits.

Officials at the Agriculture Centre say that they will not also be losers, since they have fought for a long time to have all private export permits cancelled. They claim that the competition among exporters only hurts the farmers themselves, since all these private export companies are competing only in price, and not in service, and this competition only brings prices down.

The Hillel family stands to gain because now instead of competing with the big growers, Hilon has joined them, and since they are its partners they will send more produce through Hilon than in the past.

Agrexco will gain because a *modus vivendi* will be established between them and Hilon, allowing each to work in Europe, but without having to slash prices.

Hilon at present has export permits mainly for avocados, flowers and melons.

## Japan to ease trade tension with EEC

**BONN (Reuters).** — West Germany took a softer line than its European Community partners in talks yesterday with Japanese Foreign Minister Shintaro Abe on easing trade tensions with Tokyo, Japanese officials said.

A West Germany foreign ministry statement, issued after two hours of talks between Abe and West German Foreign Minister Hans-Dietrich Genscher, said further steps to reduce Japanese import barriers were necessary to maintain free trade.

But Japanese delegation officials told Reuters that Genscher, current chairman of the European Community of Ministers, made no direct appeal for Japan to cut its trade surplus with Western Europe or any demand for a curb in its exports.

"The tone of the talks was softer than those held in other Community countries," one official said. Abe, on a tour of European capitals as part of a Japanese drive to defuse growing tension over trade, visited Brussels and London earlier this week. He flew on to Paris after his talks in Bonn.

In London on Tuesday, the British government told Abe that it expected Japan to take concrete steps to cut its huge trade surplus and Japanese officials said they anticipated France taking a still tougher stance.

The West German foreign ministry said Genscher praised Tokyo's efforts so far in dismantling import duties and non-tariff barriers.

Japanese officials noted that the ministers emphasized their governments' determination to prevent the outbreak of a trade war between Japan and West Europe.

West Germany, like Japan, is heavily reliant on exports, which account for about 25 per cent of the Gross National Product, and opposes moves to close markets on the grounds they could backfire on its own export-oriented industry.

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HOLLAND	GUILDEN	1	12.9244 13.0544
SWITZERLAND	FRANC	1	17.0870 17.2588
SWEDEN	KRONA	1	4.4468 4.4925
NORWAY	KRONE	1	4.8379 4.8866
DENMARK	KRONE	1	4.0534 4.0942
FINLAND	MARK	1	6.4166 6.4811
CANADA	DOLLAR	1	27.3129 27.5875
AUSTRALIA	DOLLAR	1	33.2337 33.5678
SOUTH AFRICA	RAND	1	31.6097 31.9275
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Mizrahi op 12	5301	4	+89
Mizrahi op 13	3347	1,189	+17
Mizrahi op 14	3347	60	+17
Mizrahi op 15	11400	23	n.c.
Mizrahi op 16	2565	191	+15
Mizrahi op 17	5130	n.c.	
Mizrahi op 18	6950	35	+109
Mizrahi op 19	13300	21	+120
Mizrahi op 20	4740	21	+120
Mizrahi op 21	155	266	+3
Mizrahi op 22	1732	5,682	+5
Mizrahi op 23	9230	4	+30
Mizrahi op 24	1205	524	n.c.
Mizrahi op 25	1258	12	n.c.
Mizrahi op 26	3119	47	+5
Mizrahi op 27	2990	26	+20
Mizrahi op 28	3371	109	+34
Mizrahi op 29	2485	137	+140
Mizrahi op 30	2370	520	+35
Mizrahi op 31	2820	117	+110
Mizrahi op 32	1940	43	n.c.
Mizrahi op 33	2241	445	+650
Mizrahi op 34	10002	+4	+110
Mizrahi op 35	1250	601	+59
Mizrahi op 36	1850	4,115	+45
Mizrahi op 37	3140	1,493	+25
Mizrahi op 38	1850	4,115	+45
Mizrahi op 39	3140	1,493	+25

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Oren	526	311	-10
Oren op	1020	29	-65
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Azaron r	627	1,206	+40
Azaron op	3167	5	+150
Azaron op 2	1298	82	+100
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Azaron op 4	5285	41	+5
Azaron op 5	4910	4	+460
Azaron op 6	914	b.o.1	+43
Azaron op 7	361	b.o.1	+43
Azaron op 8	1668	b.o.1	+53
Azaron op 9	1089	300	n.c.
Azaron op 10	1009	104	n.c.
Azaron op 11	346	2,228	+30
Azaron op 12	1487	1087	+10
Azaron op 13	185	507	+11
Azaron op 14	341	1,470	-14
Azaron op 15	483	141	+18
Azaron op 16	235	226	n.c.
Azaron op 17	1680	b.o.1	+64
Azaron op 18	521	86	-7
Azaron op 19	526	69	-10
Azaron op 20	569	363	n.c.
Azaron op 21	1020	29	n.c.
Azaron op 22	1020	29	n.c.
Azaron op 23	1020	29	n.c.
Azaron op 24	1020	29	n.c.
Azaron op 25	1020	29	n.c.
Azaron op 26	1020	29	n.c.
Azaron op 27	1020	29	n.c.
Azaron op 28	1020	29	n.c.
Azaron op 29	1020	29	n.c.
Azaron op 30	1020	29	n.c.

## Financing Institutions

Shilon r	874	657	+34
Shilon op	2610	11	+100
Shilon op 2	190	n.c.	
Shilon op 3	3685	105	+35
Shilon op 4	3798	1	+400
Shilon op 5	1310	59	-64
Shilon op 6	1180	172	n.c.
Shilon op 7	1500	28	+44
Shilon op 8	1500	28	+44
Shilon op 9	1500	28	+44
Shilon op 10	1500	28	+44
Shilon op 11	1500	28	+44
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Shilon op 13	1500	28	+44
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Shilon op 19	1500	28	+44
Shilon op 20	1500	28	+44

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Aryeh r	2570	3,215	+60
Aryeh op	80000	5	n.c.
Aryeh op 2	1570	287	+30
Aryeh op 3	1570	287	+30
Aryeh op 4	1570	287	+30
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Aryeh op 8	1570	287	+30
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## Services & Utilities

Galei Zohar r	368	67	-31
Galei Zohar op	197	189	-1
Galei Zohar op 2	169	233	-10
Galei Zohar op 3	630	117	+5

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## Investment & Companies

Unitco r	2345	22	+50
Unitco op	2630	4	-10
IDB Dev. r	2030	5,843	-20
IDB Dev. op	1540	36	-13
Unitco r	2345	22	+50
Unitco op	2630	4	-10
IDB Dev. r	2030	5,843	-20
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Unitco r	2345	22	+50
Unitco op	2630	4	-10
IDB Dev. r	2030	5,843	-20
IDB Dev. op	1540	36	-13

## Fuel & Exploration

Delek Explo. r	333	64	-37
Delek Explo. op	333	64	-37
Delek Explo. r	333	64	-37
Delek Explo. op	333	64	-37

## New Listings

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Group 26. Yield:	2000	41	-1.74
Group 28. Yield:	2000	41	-1.74

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## New York Stock Exchange

The Dow Jones Industrial Average changed direction a couple of times during the day and closed at 1044.89, down 1.19 — a relatively small change. During the day GM reported a 17.6 per cent gain in domestic car sales for the 10 days ending December 31, 1982. Laser Industries displayed some of its new products on last night's

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## Waiting for Hussein

FOR THE PAST few days the reports have been multiplying that, despite President Reagan's seeming failure last month to coax King Hussein into joining the peace talks with Israel on the basis of the Reagan interpretation of the Camp David accords, Jordan will soon make an announcement of its readiness to do just that.

That was the assessment aired in Jerusalem earlier this week by William Quandt, the National Security Council's chief Middle East expert during the Carter administration. The same forecast was repeated here yesterday, in essence, by U.S. Senator Paul Tsongas, citing information given him by officials in Cairo.

The Jordanian change of course would presumably follow another visit to the White House by King Hussein — and a scheduled meeting between President Reagan and Premier Begin.

Such reports are plainly not authoritative: Senator Tsongas, for example, is still to receive confirmation of what he has heard in Cairo from officials in Amman, where he is heading next. Some reports, too, point in the opposite direction. Thus it was possible for Foreign Minister Shamir to tell the Knesset Foreign Affairs and Defence Committee that the Jordanian monarch had no immediate intention of entering the peace talks. But since immediacy is not a very precise term, this could be mere quibbling.

Israel policy-makers would in any case be well advised to proceed on the assumption that a shift in Jordan's policy is, if not in the offing, at least a distinct possibility.

King Hussein's consent to negotiate would, it is true, be hedged with a number of conditions. Once he has got Yasser Arafat to underwrite his venture, if only tacitly, the king would wish, for one thing, to include in his negotiating team some Palestinians known for their association with the PLO. So far, Israel's stand on this matter, as enunciated by the late Moshe Dayan, has been that this country would not oppose the participation of Palestinians so long as they have not made a point of flaunting their PLO loyalties. If this is still Israel's position, it need not prove an obstacle.

A far more serious matter is King Hussein's reported insistence on a freeze on Israel settlement in the West Bank and the Gaza Strip, as suggested in the Reagan Plan. Mr. Reagan's idea of the freeze was in fact borrowed from Mr. Carter, who thought he had secured, at Camp David, Mr. Begin's consent to it: "during the negotiations concerning the establishment of Palestinian self-government." That, however, turned out to have been something of a misunderstanding.

As Mr. Begin saw it, his consent had only been given to a three-month moratorium on settlement activity in the territories pending the conclusion of a peace treaty with Egypt.

When, last September 1, Mr. Reagan revived the idea it was in conjunction with his plan for an eventual "association" between the territories, or most of their area, and Jordan. In panning the entire plan, one of Mr. Begin's arguments was that Mr. Reagan was attempting to prejudice the outcome of the five-year autonomy. But in fact the purpose of the freeze was to prevent Israel itself from unilaterally deciding the future of Judea, Samaria and Gaza through settlements — which are the means whereby Eretz Yisrael, in the words of Mr. Shamir at the Bnei Akiva convention this week, "shall all of it be ours."

Any Jordanian bid to join the peace talks on condition of a settlement freeze will, then, be flatly rejected by Premier Begin as unworthy even of consideration. King Hussein must know this. He must also be aware that unless he starts talking there will soon, as Bethlehem Mayor Freij has repeatedly warned him, be nothing to talk about. The process of incorporating the territories into Israel will have become irreversible.

What, then, would King Hussein gain from making his conditional peace bid? Perhaps he expects to drive, for once, a truly disastrous wedge between the U.S. and Israel. Perhaps, too, he hopes it will help smooth the way for Senate approval of Jordan's request for a large arms package, including planes and missiles.

In any case he would be better off than continuing to stand on the sidelines — or, conversely, endorsing the present Israeli formula, in which there is little, if anything, of interest to him.

## TALKS WITH LEBANON

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been achieved through the earlier secret talks. Lebanon was now undergoing understandable difficulties in moving from secret talks to formal negotiations, Sharon said.

A veteran observer familiar with the contacts with Lebanon pointed out that Beirut was something of a neophyte in conducting international negotiations between governments, and this factor too could account for the difficulties in getting the talks started. After all, Syria, Lebanon's powerful neighbour to the east and north, had never formally recognized Lebanon's sovereignty and there had been no official negotiations with Israel since 1949. (And even then, in the armistice talks, Lebanon took its lead from Egypt, which negotiated and signed first.)

This observer acknowledged that the longer the issue of normalization remains unresolved, the stronger the Arab pressures on Lebanon are likely to grow.

At the same time, though, the observer noted, there were contrary pressures prodding the Lebanese leadership — even including those of its members chary of Israel — towards breaking the impasse.

Not least among these was the deteriorating situation in the northern town of Tripoli which plainly worries the Beirut government. A new order in Lebanon, based on agreements with Israel and with Syria and a withdrawal of foreign forces, would give the Beirut government at least a basic framework for applying its sovereignty and authority over its

territory.

Israel, too, is under a certain time-pressure — despite Defence Minister Sharon's exhortations on TV last night to the nation to stand firm and be patient. Presumably Prime Minister Begin would like the negotiations to move ahead — and even produce an interim withdrawal of forces — before he makes his scheduled visit to Washington in mid-February.

Reuter adds:

In Washington, yesterday, the White House announced that special Middle East envoy Philip Habib has been recalled to Washington from a Florida holiday and will leave for the Middle East soon to join the Israel-Lebanon negotiations. Administration officials said they believed Habib would fly to the Middle East by the end of the week with the aim of encouraging progress in the negotiations.

Wazzan on Tuesday called on the U.S. to show a "firmer position" in the talks.

Wazzan reiterated the Lebanese position that his government's main aim was putting an end to the occupation.

But he gave a guarded reception to an idea floated on Monday by Lebanon's chief negotiator, Antoine Fattal, that the talks could bypass the agenda and move straight to substantive issues.

He said: "We can't say that Lebanon wants to disregard the agenda, but it wants to avoid anything that might hinder the negotiations."

## Arik's tea party

By DAVID BERNSTEIN

"Have some more wine," said the March Hare in an encouraging tone. Arik looked all round the table, but there was nothing on it but tea. "I don't see any wine," he remarked. "There isn't any," said the March Hare.

From Arik in Wonderland (with apologies to Lewis Carroll and the Mad Hatter)

ONE CAN hardly blame Defence Minister Ariel Sharon if he is feeling a little perplexed, or even peeved, at the somewhat Mad Hatterish goings on in Halde and Kiryat Shmona over the past two weeks.

Having been led to believe that he had all but sewn up an agreement, tantamount to a *de facto* peace pact with certain "authoritative" Lebanese officials, it must have come as a rude shock to Sharon and all those who had pinned their hopes on the defence minister's grossly oversold document (which would include the bulk of Prime Minister Menachem Begin's cabinet) to find out at the opening session in Halde last week that the Lebanese delegation to the talks with Israel viewed itself as bound by no such agreement.

On the contrary. While Israeli delegation head David Kimche served notice that he would press for an agreement that would be "but a step away from a full, final, formal peace treaty," his Lebanese opposite number, Antoine Fattal, made it plain that Lebanon was prepared to negotiate little more than a broadening of the 1949 General Armistice Agreement to take into account Israel's legitimate security requirements along its northern border. It would not be negotiating the "normalization" of relations between the two countries, or anything else that might be seen as a political reward for Israel's invasion last summer.

Accordingly, after making some progress in defining those items of agenda pertaining to purely military matters (where there would appear to be little fundamental disagreement between Israel, Lebanon and the U.S.), the talks in Halde and Kiryat Shmona almost immediately became bogged down in a protracted squabble over a term

that would adequately cover the seemingly incompatible goals Israel and Lebanon had set themselves.

FOR ISRAEL, the talks with Lebanon are first and foremost about as complete a "normalization" as possible of the relations between the two countries in return for a withdrawal of its forces. Little has been heard in recent weeks of an imminent "peace treaty" with Lebanon. That goal received a severe setback with the assassination of Bashir Jemayel last September, according to a Jerusalem which appears to have conveniently ignored the fact that the late Bashir was somewhat less than enthusiastic about peace with Israel, and just days before his death had to be summoned to a clandestine meeting in Nahariya where he was reportedly severely dressed down by Prime Minister Menachem Begin for the "ingratitude" he was displaying towards the Israeli "liberators" of his country.

But that it is virtually assured of a security deal with Lebanon that will fulfil the initial goal of Operation Peace for Galilee and safeguard the settlements in the north is now apparently no longer viewed as sufficient by an Israeli government that has involved the country in a war that has cost some 400 lives, with the figure rising almost daily.

There must be some politically justifiable gain to set against the mounting balance of Israeli dead and wounded, would appear to be the current rationale — and that would mean, if not a peace treaty with Lebanon, then at least some form of highly visible normalization (open borders, trade, tourism, etc.).

THE ONLY SNAG is that the late thing Lebanon wants is an arrangement that can be pointed at by its fellow Arabs as Israel's "reward" for its invasion last summer.

Accordingly, the Lebanese delegation at the talks has rejected any attempt to have the subject of "normalization" of relations with Israel placed on the agenda — not, as is being argued here, because the word is so offensive, but because the components of normalization are. Israel's apparent failure to grasp

this would seem to rest on the assumption that it is dealing with a basically Christian, non-Arab country which shares a common destiny with itself in a largely hostile Arab world.

As long as contacts have been with the Christians in Lebanon, there has been some justification for this assumption — hence Sharon's ability to reach such broad agreement in his secret contacts with Lebanese officials who clearly represented the sentiments of the country's Christian minority but not, as has emerged in the talks, those of the broad-based government now installed in Beirut.

There is, in fact, no reason to doubt that the public statements still being made by Phalange spokesmen in Lebanon genuinely represent the basically pro-Israeli sentiments of the bulk of that country's Christian population. But the Lebanon of today represents a mosaic of political attitudes and those expressed by the Christians can no longer be assumed to be the dominant ones.

IF THE broad-based government now installed in Beirut under Prime Minister Shafik Wazzan is more or less representative of Lebanon's fundamental political consensus, then that consensus is plainly biased against the Christians and their pro-Israeli tilt and in favour of the Moslems and their anti-Israel position.

What is more Lebanon, unlike Egypt, is not the master of its own political destiny: with a long-standing political interest in Lebanon and a 30,000-strong army actually present on Lebanese soil, Syria — Lebanon's powerful Arab neighbour to the east and north — holds an effective veto over just what sort of deal Lebanon strikes with Israel.

And, as it has spelled out in several public statements in recent weeks, Damascus will not tolerate anything that will take Lebanon out of the general Arab orbit and into a special relationship with Israel — even if this falls short of an actual peace treaty.

Thus, in pressing for open borders, trade, tourism and other

## Harmful talk

By YOSEF TEKOA

How very complex it was going to be, particularly in view of the difficulties that the Lebanese face; the almost unbearable pressures of the Arab world and the additional factor of U.S. participation in the negotiations.

The Israeli delegation is going to have to navigate between these varied factors; to neutralize pressures and to demonstrate aggressiveness and flexibility at the same time; to fight for every single point on the agenda and to make the minimal number of concessions and to try to get the maximum concessions from the Lebanese. At times, the delegation will be forced to demand far more than what seems reasonable in order to make sure of getting the minimum that is acceptable. Delays, stalemates and even the disruption of the negotiations will have to be taken as a matter of course — without losing sight of the main objectives.

These objectives are the removal of all foreign forces from Lebanon; the guarantee of security on Israel's northern border; and the normalization of relations between the two countries. These objectives, I believe, are acceptable to all Israelis, no matter what their political persuasion, with the possible exception of certain fringe elements. These objectives are not unrealistic, and there is, in fact, a good possibility of realizing all of them. There is also good reason to try to do so.

THE KIBITZING and the contention of some political circles in this country to the effect that Israel cannot possibly achieve these objectives and that it is useless to try can only be harmful. This sort of contention, in different guises, is voiced often enough by certain circles in the Lebanese and even the American governments. One should not lend credence to what are usually baseless opinions by adding the opinions of Israeli politicians.

One should not foster the impression that a good part of the nation does not want or believe in the possibility of achieving these objectives. One should refrain from strengthening the hand of those who want Israel to be satisfied with less than what we really want in our hearts: more secure borders and a better chance for peace — for us and for our neighbours.

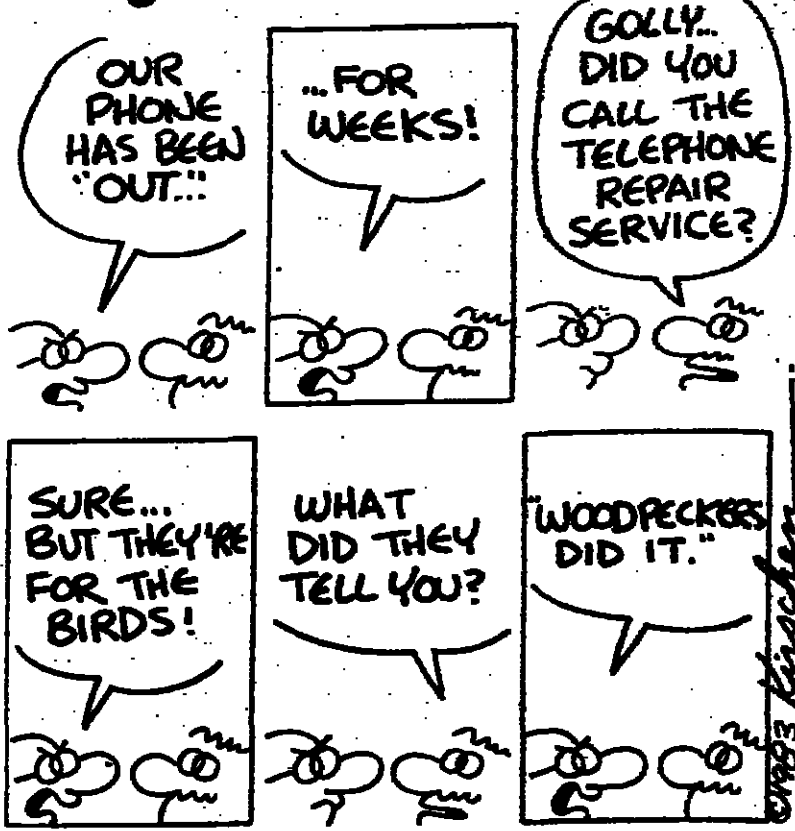
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The absurdity of the claims, however, cannot be dismissed. No international treaty that I know of has been obtained by persuasion alone, without the added factor of armed might behind one of the signatories. How else have treaties and agreements been made but by the application of economic, political and military pressures?

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DR. JEFF HALPER  
Jerusalem.

## Dry Bones



highly visible signs of "normalization," Israel is plainly flying in the face of Damascus and, if it persists, will eventually force Damascus to exercise its veto.

What Israel would do then, it is too early to say. But the recent ominous rumblings in the local press about the growing military threat from Syria will have done little to reassure those who would like to believe that the government is not leading us towards another confrontation with Syria. And this in its bid to strike a deal with Lebanon that answers more to its own party political needs than it does to the broader security interests of the country.

MEANWHILE, the Mad Hatter's Tea Party goes on, with the three negotiating teams meeting once again in Kiryat Shmona today in yet another bid to arrive at some sufficiently vague formulation that could still mean "normalization" to Israel but something quite other to the Lebanese and their fellow Arabs.

There is little reason to believe that their efforts will not eventually

be crowned with success — arriving at formulations of this sort is, after all, a good deal of what diplomacy is about.

Alternatively, the negotiators may agree to side-step the issue for the time being in order to clear the way for talks on a first-phase withdrawal of foreign forces from Central Lebanon, where early agreement would appear to be relatively promising.

It can be only a matter of time, however, before the fundamental incompatibility between Israel and Lebanon on the shape of their future relationship makes nonsense of any solution the diplomats may think up to keep the "normalization" issue from torpedoing the talks before they have properly begun.

"Take some more tea," the March Hare said to Arik, very earnestly. "I've had nothing yet," Arik replied in an offended tone, "so I can't take more."

"You mean you can't take less," said the Hatter: "It's very easy to take more than nothing."

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THE ISRAELI military presence on Lebanese soil can certainly be termed such a pressure. This is true, understood and acceptable in international circles. Israel has the right to try to get the maximum advantage from this pressure in order to further its legitimate aims. Only those who do not share these aims could demand otherwise.

Many among us have sons at the front. In Lebanon. We would all prefer to see them on the borders of Israel. But if there is a real possibility of increasing the chances for peace and security, for them and for ourselves, then shouldn't we all try to keep that in mind when we think of them there in the snows of Lebanon?

The citizens of Israel are not nearly so interested in who negotiates with Lebanon as they are in what will be accomplished in these negotiations.

Good luck to Menachem Begin, Ariel Sharon and Yitzhak Shamir; with their success, I too, as an Israeli citizen, will have succeeded. Even if I do not belong to their political party.

I will do or say nothing that would harm their chances of achieving Israel's objectives. On the contrary, I will look for every way possible to support and to aid them. And the best assistance they can get is the force of the entire nation behind them. If I have something to say or to comment upon, I will do so, but not to outsiders who are anxious to limit the objectives Israel is seeking and who will claim that even a good part of the Israeli people agree with them.

If the government of Israel fails to obtain the Israeli objectives, the nation will charge them with this at the proper time.

But if we ourselves harm the government's chances of achieving these objectives, then it is we who will be charged by the nation.

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